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Grant lets sheriff, others 'comply'

by Cheryll Ruley Staff Writer

It will cost \$190,679 to bring the County Sheriff's Department, 911 Central Dispatch, and the County court offices up to standards required by the year 2000.

Because of the grant-writing abilities of Sheriff David G. Lovely and Undersheriff Kirk A. Wakefield, Crawford County law enforcement has struck gold again with a grant from the State of Michigan's Office of Drug Control Policy.

Lovely received word in December that his department would receive a Local law Enforcement Block Grant for computer technology in order to bring the three related systems within Y2K compliance standards.

However, before the grant money could be spent, Lovely had to present his computer technology proposal to the Crawford County Board of Commissioners.

On January 20, the Board voted unanimously to allow Lovely to seek a contract through Computer Services Company, putting into motion the necessary changes.

Lovely will oversee the purchase of new software and computer equipment needed within his

The Sheriff stated that he had been working closely with the other two departments to make sure all areas of the system have been covered under the proposal.

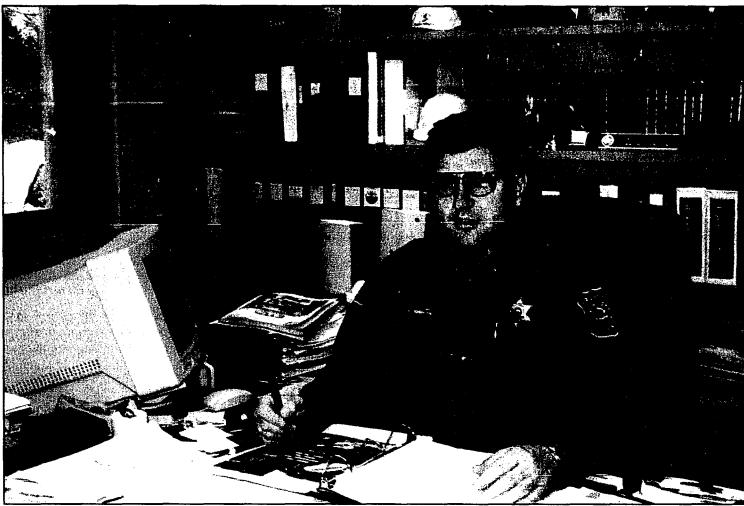
The Board also elected to allow Lovely to purchase any equipment deemed necessary outside the bounds of his proposal, but not to exceed the total amount grant.

"I have to tell you, though," said Lovely to the Board, "because this is a big project and we are dealing with a small local business, 60 percent of the new equipment cost will have to be paid in advance."

County Treasurer Joe Wakeley stated, and County Controller Paul Compo agreed, that there would not be a problem with that arrangement. The Board, Wakeley and Compo were in agreement that it was good to be dealing with and giving County business to a local company.

Lovely told the Board that he has done business with Computer Services in the past and was very happy with their service.

Any extra grant money may be spent on new hand-held electronic ticket computers that will save the County money by eliminating hand entry by deputies, and then again by department, the courts and 911 the court, of traffic violation tickets.



COMPLIANCE COMES BY WAY OF GRANT - Crawford County Sheriff David G. Lovely looks over grant materials in regard to bringing up to Year 2000 compliance computers and software in his department, 911 Central Dispatch and the county courts. The State of Michigan's Office of Drug Control Policy via federal funding, gave the money to Sheriff Lovely specifically for computer technology acquisition upgrade.

Winter Wolf Festival begins February 5

organizations are work-

ing on another exciting weekend of winter fun at Hanson Hills for this year's Winter Wolf Festival, February 5 through 7.

On Friday,

evening at the Hills.

February 5, the festivities begin at 6 p.m. with the Business Olympics, sponsored by the Grayling Kiwanis Club. This triathlon event is an opportunity for your business to compete with others in a fun-filled

The competition includes a water relay, snowball throwing contest and the highlight of the event is the cardboard vehicle races down the "Bowl." Register your business for this event by calling 348-9266.

The Grayling High School Ski Team will create a torch parade to close the evening's competition followed by family entertainment in the Main Lodge beginning at 8

On Saturday, February 6, the big event will be the Snowshoe-Archery Challenge sponsored by the Bear's Bowmen Archery beginning at 10:30 a.m. This competition includes about a twomile run on snowshoes with targets at each mile. Equipment will be provided and you may sign up at the Bear's Bowmen Archery building immediately before the

The fun continues on Saturday with snowshoe demonstrations, horse-drawn sleigh rides, free ice

Recreational skating and downhill ski lessons, Authority, many volunteers and downhill ski races and skiing is only \$1 from 4 p.m. to 8

> Sunday will begin with the Grayling Youth Booster Club Breakfast at the Main Lodge from 8 p.m. to 11 a.m. The Winter Wolf Challenge will begin at 8:30 a.m. with a kayak or canoe race from Ray's

Canoe Livery to Rayburn's on the AuSable, where athletes will leave their boats and run on snowshoes for about three miles, followed by a five-mile freestyle cross country race at Hanson Hills. The race will begin at 11 a.m. with a mass start using the Yellow Trail.

Get warmed up in the Main Lodge and vote for your favorite chili recipe from 12 noon until 3 p.m. at the Chili Cook-off, sponsored by defending champs Mercy Hospital. You must have a food handlers permit to join in the competition. Taste and vote for your favorite chili for only \$1.

The Citizens Bank obstacle course downhill race is free and everyone is welcome to join at 1 p.m. at the top of the "Bowl."

Sunday will offer more snowshoe demonstrations and horsedrawn sleigh rides. The History of Hanson Hills will be displayed from 12 noon to 3 p.m. by members of the Crawford County Historical Society.

For more information or if your organization would like to be any part of the Winter Wolf Festival, please call 348-9266.

County, city have Y2K 'under control'

by Robert A. Reed **Capital News Service**

LANSING - With less than a year to go, local government officials are confident that they have the Year 2000 (Y2K) problem under control. But, state officials warn of other trouble areas that might not have been considered.

The Y2K problem is a result of old computer programming methods that conserved memory by recording only the last two digits of the year. As of January 1, 2000, many computers could mistake the year 2000 for 1900. This can cause problems with any programs that manipulate dates.

Clerk Mike Dunckel said the county has been working with its software vendors on the problem for about a year and most of the systems are

"The only things that need to be done are parts of the payroll and public safety systems," he said. "Parts of the computer-assisted dispatching system did not work well, but we expect it to be fixed by mid-

Dunckel said maintenance contracts with software vendors covered most of the costs, but the county did have to spend about \$10,000 on the problem. He said he believes the grant the Crawford County Sheriff's Department just received may be used to cover some of the fixes to the public safety programs.

Grayling City Manager Jerry Morford is confident of the city's readiness for the year 2000. "I don't see how we will have any problem because we are in the process of replacing all of our computer equipment," he said.

He added that the contract with the vendors requires everything to Crawford County Chief Deputy comply with the new millennium.

Morford said although the new equipment costs about \$50,000, he doesn't consider it a Y2K-related expense because the outdated equipment was scheduled to be replaced anyway.

"I don't think we've spent any extra money on this," said Morford. "All we did extra was make sure we have the new system by then."

The state established a Year 2000 Project Office in the Department of

Management and Budget (DMB) to, among other things, provide some assistance to local governments. DMB Public Information Officer Kelly Chesney said even though

communities may be ready themselves, they should also check to ensure their vendors and suppliers are also compliant. "Making sure you have your own house in order is the first step," she

said. "After that it's important to look at who you have to deal with to make sure they are compliant." Kent Reynolds, Superintendent of

the Crawford AuSable School District, said while the district's Y2K effort is going well, he is concerned about the computer services because no one vendor, he said, is the district purchases from other sources.

"Our accounting software, our personnel software, and our student attendance and student database records are all accessed from an outside source."

He added that although that source is in the process of upgrading, that is not a total guarantee of compliance. "We can only control what we control directly," he said.

Reynolds said while Y2K has caused some extra work for the district, he believes the final problems will be "relatively minor."

Dunckel said the county hasn't spent any time checking on vendor status and doesn't plan to do so.

"We don't have the staff for that. If it becomes a problem, we'll deal with it. We've done our best, to the best of our knowledge, to become compliant and that's about it." Morford said the city has contact-

ed some of its vendors, but can't check compliance on all of them. If the city had a problem with any particular vendor, it could always switch to a different supplier particularly significant.

A larger problem for Morford has been all of the vendors who have been contacting the city to check on Grayling's Y2K status.

'We're getting inundated with useless information asking if we are compliant," he said. "Vendors who only sell us a couple of hundred dollars worth of stuff a year are sending us four-page questionnaires."

Next Fish Hatchery meeting planned

The next meeting concerning the Grayling Fish Hatchery restoration project will be held Friday, January 29, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Beaver Creek Township Hall. Community input and support of this project is important and the public is urged to attend. For more information, please call Pat Merrill at 344-3258, Bob Smock at (517) 732-1543, or Dan Sikarskie at 348-9319.

Two local schools benefit from fundraiser

by Caleb Casey Staff Writer

Grayling Elementary School and AuSable Primary recently received some new equipment, which was purchased using money generated by a fundraiser that took place last

AuSable Primary now has some new playground equipment, including a basketball court, climbers, two balance beams, swingsets and a sandbox. The swings and sandbox won't be installed until the snow

GES received 30 new microscopes courtesy of the fundraiser

The fundraiser, which was organized and run by the GES and

AuSable Primary "Parents Group," was done by students of both schools near the end of the '97-98 school year. Students sold various

products, including Easter-related

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Open House gives public early input on I-75/North Down interchange

Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will host an Open House on Wednesday, February 3 concerning the I-75/North Down River Road exchange project.

Planners, engineers and others from MDOT will be on hand to answer questions and discuss preliminary plans for the proposed improvements to the interchange north of Grayling.

This Open House will provide the opportunity for the public to drop in at the earliest stages of the study to provide their input.

The meeting will be held next Wednesday, from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., and again at 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Grayling Middle School Cafeteria, 500 Spruce Street in Grayling.

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Rep. Bradstreet takes oath

Bradstreet appointed to serve on four House committees



Photo courtesy of House Republican Communications Services

BRADSTREET TAKES OATH - Rep. Ken Bradstreet (R-Gaylord) is congratulated by Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Elizabeth Weaver after taking the ceremonial oath of office on January 13 in the state Capitol. Others attending the event were, from left to right, his sons Scott and Mark, daughter Tarissa, and wife, Barb. Bradstreet represents the 105th District in the Michigan House.

House Speaker Chuck Perricone. R-Kalamazoo Township, has chosen Rep. Ken Bradstreet as vice chair of the House Energy and Technology Committee for the 1999-2000 session.

Bradstreet, R-Gaylord, is excited about the committee assignment.

"Energy issues are vitally important to northern Michigan," Bradstreet said. "The debate over electric deregulation and the use of oil and gas royalties are just some of the concerns that we must address. I look forward to getting

Bradstreet also has been appointed to the Agriculture and Resource Management Committee.

"Farmers are facing many challenges and we must do what we can to assist those who are enduring difficult times," Bradstreet said. "Our region depends on a strong agri-business community."

The 105th District lawmaker also will serve on the Constitutional Law and Ethics and Education committees.

"It is going to be a busy and productive legislative session," Bradstreet said. "I am eager to enact policies that will help Michigan families."

Camp Grayling unit aids in Panama Canal Transition Plan

Camp Grayling's 745th Ordnance Treaty Range Transition Plan called Detachment unit (Explosive Ordnance Disposal or EOD) will deploy on Saturday, February 13, to

The unit's purpose in Panama will be to assist U.S. Army-South in the final stages of the Panama Canal

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According to the Operations Order, "The United States is committed to removing hazards to human life, health, and safety with the transfer of any military site. The 'removal' of hazards may take the form of containing, controlling, or physically eliminating the munition or substance creating the hazard."

The 745th soldiers will be doing surface and subsurface range clearance operations in field and jungle environments.

Expected dud munitions will include unexploded ordnance ranging from small arms to 500 pound bombs found on two of the ranges used by the U.S. Army in Panama.

The Advance Team will deploy on Saturday, February 6, to prepare resources for arrival of the main

body of the unit.

The main body will depart from Camp Grayling via convoy to Traverse City, where they will begin their air flight to Panama.

This unit deployed to Panama in April of last year for a similar mission and has previously deployed to the Persian Gulf, where it participated in Operations Desert Shield/ Desert Storm. The unit has also conducted range-clearing operations in Utah and New Mexico.

The EOD unit is composed primarily of Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technicians, but also has a support team consisting of a Unit Clerk, Supply Specialist and a Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic.

The unit achieves mobility with eight HUMMVs (Hummers) and performs its mission with some of the latest technological ordnance dis-

posal devices, including portable xray machines, bomb disposal suits and remote safing (detonation) devices. Training to become an EOD technician requires up to 10-12 months depending on prior service experience.

The unit will deploy back to Camp Grayling on Saturday, February 27. The unit is commanded by Captain Elizabeth Peters of Saginaw. The First Sergeant is Charles Ray of Taylor and the Readiness NCO is Sergeant First Class Todd Hernandez of Grayling.

The unit contains other northern Michigan residents, including Sergeant Edward Martin of

Other unit members participating,

in this mission travel from as far away as Ohio and Texas, in addition to commuting for drill weekends.

Rosi awarded certification

Local school board president. Marilyn Rosi, was honored recently after completing all classes in a voluntary training program for education leadership.

Rosi, president of the Crawford AuSable School District Board of Education, is now eligible to receive the Certified Boardmember Award (CBA) from tne Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB).

"Michigan Board members are leading the nation in meeting requirements for voluntary certification," said Justin King, MASB's executive director.

"About 1,500 school trustees around the state are already certified, and hundreds more are completing courses in MASB's board training program," King added.

MASB's curriculum includes courses in school law, community relations, budgets and finance, labor relations and technology. New board members will take 30 hours of instruction in order to achieve their



Marilyn Rosi

certification in evening and weekend classes offered throughout the

Completing the CBA program provides local leaders with a strong background in school governance issues they will face and prepares them to make informed decisions that improve education in their districts.

Two local schools benefit from fundraiser

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According to Shirley Curriston of the Parents Group, the fundraiser made about \$16,000, which the two schools split.

Not quite all of the money was used in the buying of the new equipment. The rest can be used at a later date, possibly for a new sign in front of the schools, said Curriston. The Parents Group's decision to

purchase microscopes and playground equipment came about after the matter was discussed with representatives of each school.

"We talked to the principals of both schools to see what the needs were," said Curriston.

The Parents Group itself was

formed about four years ago. Curriston describes it as "an active group of parents who take an

interest in childrens' education." "We try to provide where there's

a need," she said. The group meets once a month,

and has about 30 active members. Any parent interested in getting involved can contact the office of either school for more information.

The group is currently working on organizing a book sale, which would allow young people the opportunity to purchase used books for a low price.

"Last year we sold 200 books in an hour for 25 cents apiece," said Curriston.

The Parents Group is welcoming book donations for the sale. Anyone wishing to contribute can drop children's books off at the main office of GES or AuSable Primary.



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Second generation exchange student visits from Brazil





SPANNING 25 YEARS -(Left) The Misses Liana and Lea Oliveira recently arrived in Grayling from their home in Fortaliza, Brazil. They are joined by the Honorable Judge Alton T. Davis for this picture.

The sisters are the daughters of Tadeu and Maria Isabel "Bebel" Targino Oliveira.

(Below left) Twenty-five years ago, Bebel was an exchange student and resided with Maureen and Larry McNamara, shown here with son Riley, and graduated with the Grayling High School Class of 1974.

Liana (above, on left) will be residing with Miss Colby Davis at the home of Judge and Sandra Kay Davis and will attend Grayling High School as a senior.

After a week long visit in Grayling, Lea (above on right) will travel on to Sheffield, Massachusetts to visit with her previous host family.

These international exchanges are sponsored by the Rotary Clubs of Grayling, Michigan and Fortaliza, Brazil and the families of the young people involved.

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Lattimer inducted in Archery Hall of Fame

Former Grayling resident Dick Lattimer, President/CEO of the Archery Manufacturers Merchants Organization (AMO), has been inducted into the National Archery Hall of Fame

Lattimer has been associated with the sport of archery since the 1960's when he first came to Grayling to work with Fred Bear.

In introducing Lattimer during the induction ceremonies recently in Columbus, Ohio, Hall of Famer Frank Scott, also a former Grayling resident, said, "Dick Lattimer has been a major driving force, most times behind the scenes, for the sport and business of archery since 1966 when he first started doing advertising and promotional work for the legendary Fred Bear and Bear Archery.

"Since the first day in 1966 when Dick was introduced to the sports of Archery and Bowhunting, and more importantly to the Archery Industry, to promote the sport. He is always thinking of how to grow the sport now and for the future.

"Since 1991, Dick Lattimer has served as the first full-time President and CEO of the Archery Manufacturers & Merchants Organization (AMO), the 45-yearold and 535 company international trade association serving the sport of archery.

"Helping Lattimer run AMO in Gainesville, Florida is Grayling native, Pat Wiseman-Snider.

"Prior to his AMO affiliation, he spent 23 years heading up "In House" advertising/public relations for the largest archery manufacturer at the time, Bear Archery.

"He was also the founder and executive director of The Fred Bear Sports Club, a worldwide organization of outdoors men and women. As an outgrowth of that, he also served as the Television Producer



Dick Lattimer

for the International Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies (IAFWA), and as Co-Chairman of the centers and museums around the International's Communications

Honorary Life Member of the England. Association for Conservation Information. He continues to serve on various IAFWA Committees today in Washington, D.C. He is also Chairman of the National Archery Museum Committee, and on the Board of Directors of the National Archery Hall of Fame.

"Lattimer is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus Foundation on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. (composed of about one-half of all the Members of Congress, the largest caucus on the Hill).

"He has also served on the Hunting and Conservation Committee of the National Rifle Association, and on their Public Committee. Bowhunting Subcommittee, representing America's three million men and women who hunt with the bow and arrow.

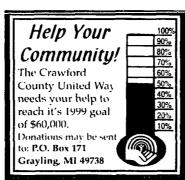
"During the 1970's, early 80's he served as the voluntary Executive Director of The American Archery Council, an organization representing all of the many consumer sport of archery groups. He is credited with helping to build that organization into a viable national force.

"Lattimer's efforts on behalf of sportsmen and women and the Archery Industry have been, and continue to be, monumental. He is the driving force behind the AMO Archery Trade Show, the largest trade show in the world dedicated to Archery, Bowhunting and related industries.

"Dick Lattimer is also the author of two books about the U.S. Space Program, All We Did Was Fly to the Moon and Space Station Friendship. They are sold at space United States. Lattimer has also been elected a Fellow of the British "For that work he was elected an Interplanetary Society in London,

Lattimer and his wife, Alice, a former Grayling elementary teacher, have been married for 40 years and have three grown children and three grandchildren.

Lattimer becomes the fourth person from Grayling to be inducted into the Archery Hall of Fame, supporting the community's old claim to being the Archery Capital of the World. The others include Fred Bear, Bob Kelly and Frank Scott.



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by Richard Milliman

Union's overall strength could be debated

"THE STATE of our union is strong."

So proclaims President Clinton, in his annual State of the Union message, delivered in a Capitol rife with ongoing historical drama.

The whole thing is unreal. If a novice author were to submit a fictional novel based on what's going on in America today, any sane publisher would reject it as unrealistic.

The nation's leaders gather in the House chamber for the President's annual State of the Union ritual. A few hundred feet away, the President is on trial for his political life.

Nobody would know by watching the State of the Union speech. Mr. Clinton performed as if he had not a care in the world.

Earlier in the day. Clinton attorney Gregory Craig told the Senate "it is hard to take the (impeachment) charges seriously.'

The President acted that way.

THE ATMOSPHERE in the Capitol and White House seems to reflect the differing approaches to impeachment.

Clinton backers -- mostly Democrats -- strongly protest that what Mr. Clinton did may be bad, but not unusual in today's society and certainly not worthy of criminal conviction.

They believe Republicans are pursuing a planned vendetta strategy that's personal and political ... that they're trying to steal the 1996 presidential election back ... that the will of the people expressed in polling must be paramount and should not be countermanded.

Most Clinton backers really seem to believe this stuff.

Clinton foes -- mostly Republicans -- strongly protest that Mr. Clinton has committed crimes and must be punished.

They believe that they are not acting politically but only upholding the Constitution.... that laws must be applied to the President as they are to other citizens ... that failure to punish Mr. Clinton will lead to more lawlessness and disregard for truth and justice, especially among young people.

Most Clinton foes really seem to believe this

Probably each side has some justification for such strong but divergent positions.

Meanwhile, many Americans are saying they really don't care one way or another just get it

My suspicion is this position gets translated as support for the President when it's really general disgust with the whole situation.

CORE BELIEFS seem to dictate response economy. among the combatants.

Because pro-impeachment forces are concerned about the rule of law, their strategies emphasize the legal approach -- that is, pursuing the legalistic steps of an investigating committee. then following the Constitutional steps of impeachment in the House and trial in the Senate.

This strategy rests on such legalistic concepts as perjury and obstruction of justice.

The pro-Clinton side, believing the attacks are personal and political and not based in sound law. focuses on political and public relations strate-

Win the public, they believe, and the politicians will follow. So President Clinton -- still the strongest weapon in his own defense -- emphasizes "presidential." He courts public favor through international initiatives, public appearances, politically popular proposals such as the something-for-everyone tone of the State of the Union address.

What about the merit of this case? That's lost in the dust as the two sides argue their positions on completely different wave lengths.

IN THE OUTSIDE world, this legal proceeding once decided could be appealed to a higher

In the Clinton impeachment, however, the U.S. Senate is the final word. There is no higher court in this case -- not even public opinion.

The state of the union is strong. President Clinton says so.

He's right, of course, when the reference is the

But in other areas, there can be some question. How about politically? How about socially? How about morally and ethically?

Except for economics, cracks in the state of the union's strength and vigor are noticed.

Nothing is certain at this point -- except that no matter how it comes out, America will survive and prosper.

No single person -- not even a particular president -- can spoil that.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

New State Trooper earns high praise

In last week's issue of The Avalanche you carried an article with a picture of Trooper Jeffrey Hammond of Frederic, who graduated as a Michigan State Police Trooper and was being assigned to the L'Anse Post in the U.P.

Around noon, December 24, 1998, my husband and I were on our way to the U.P. to spend Christmas with family. About five miles south of Gaylord on I-75, we had a whiteout from a semi and hit slippery road at the same time. We ended up across the road, in the ditch and we rolled over.

State Trooper Jeffrey Hammond was heading south on I-75, in his own car, at the same time of our accident. He came to our aid immediately. He kept us in his car until the State Police arrived, report was given and a wrecker could get our new pick up (with 165 miles on it) out of the ditch.

He then drove us to the gas station in Gaylord where our pick up was

The Michigan State Police can be



Trooper Jeffrey Hammond

very proud of troopers like Jeffrey Hammond. I hope the people on L'Anse know how lucky they are to have him at their post and in their town. We are very grateful for what Trooper Hammond did for us that

Richard & Shirley Hammermeister

Historically Speaking



MYSTERY PHOTO - Caroline Hall of Grayling found several old photographs in her home one day and would like to know who is in this picture and others we will publish in the future. If you know the "who, what, where and/or how" of this old photo, please call *The Avalanche* at 348-6811 or stop by our office at 102 E. Michigan Avenue in Grayling.

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Blame the parents, not the management

To the editor,

On Sunday, January 17, my friend and I attended the Rialto Theatre at the 7 p.m. show.

Since the show was quite full, we sat near the back. Behind us sat a few young "kids."

I don't believe they came to see the show as they were very rowdy - loud and quite obnoxious.

They were asked several times by grown-ups, including myself, to

please stop and behave. When the grown-ups asked them to please stop, they said "sorry" and kept laughing and misbehaving.

Finally, they were asked to leave. Please don't blame the owner, management or the help. I suggest you blame yourself for not teaching your children respect of others.

Sally McPherson

Police and fire officials

To the editor.

The Grayling Police Department and the Grayling Fire Department are joining forces to remind citizens of public safety concerns.

A few people are shoveling or blowing snow into the streets and roadways.

Other concerns are for the individuals that have plowed, or shoveled snow on or around fire hydrants.

These practices are not only dangerous, but illegal under State Law. Prisoners from Camp Lehman

work hard to clear sidewalks and hydrants only to find them plowed in the next day. It's nearly impossible for them to keep up.

Quick access to fire hydrants may be the fire department's only defense to keep fires controllable.

Any cooperation by the citizens of Grayling will help make this community a safer place to live, work and play.

Peter W. Stephan, Chief of Police Dean L. Goss, Fire Chief

Avalanche deadlines

Community Briefs items submitted to The Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Letters to the Editor must be turned in to The Avalanche by noon on Friday to be considered for the next issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced. Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon. Full page, haif page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

Michelson to hold all-you-can-eat lunch

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church will hold an all-you-caneat, soup, sandwich, salad, and dessert luncheon on Thursday, February 4 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$4.50 per person and take-out is available. Everyone is welcome.

Project Graduation seeks donations

The Project Graduation committee will be holding its 1st Annual Project its Graduation Super Rummage Sale on February 26 and 27. The committee is now accepting donations of clean, saleable items. No items is too big or too small. Proceeds from the sale go toward the 1999 Grayling High School graduating class. To make drop-off or pick-up arrangements, please contact Chuck Dickie at 348-5174 or Kelly Merchand at 348-4488.

GHS Student Senate holds food drive

The Grayling High School Student Senate will be sponsoring a canned food and clothing drive February 1 through February 13. Unopened food items and clean clothes will be collected at the Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant on the South I-75 Business Loop in Grayling. Anyone who donates will receive 20% off of their food order.

Library to hold Winter Wolf Book Sale

The Winter Wolf Used Book Sale will be held at the Crawford County Library on Thursday and Friday, February 4 and 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., on the lower level in the children's room and is sponsored by the Friends of the Crawford County Library. Proceeds will go toward construction of a new library building. Friends of the Library meet the 4th Monday of the month, at 10:30 a.m., at the Crawford County Library.

Toddlers' swim classes have openings

Crawford County 4-H still has openings in their swim classes for three and four-year olds. Classes are for three weeks at the Grayling Holiday Inn, held on Mondays and Wednesdays. The three-year olds meet from 3 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. and the four-year olds meet from 3:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$18. Register by calling the Crawford County 4-H Office at 344-3264.

Band boosters coupon book on sale

The Grayling Viking Band (GVB) Boosters Annual Two-for-One Coupon Book Sale is on. Over \$700 in value for \$15. For more information, please call Margaret Knapp at 348-9624 or Debbie Rugenstein at (517) 275-5172. Also, there will be a Band Boosters meeting on January 28, at 7 p.m. at Grayling High School. Note: All GVB Boosters By-Law changes effective January 28, 1999.

Rocky Mountain travelogue at Stripe

The Crawford AuSable Community Education Program's Travel & Adventure Series will present Crown Jewels of the Rockies with Joe and Mary Liz Adair your travelogue hosts. The program will be presented at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$3.50 for students and senior citizens. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. and the program begins at 7:30 p.m. For tickets call 348-7641, ext. 123 or they may be purchased at the door.

Grayling Garden Club to hold meeting and greenhouse tour

Did you ever wonder how those prickly, mysteriously-shaped cactus that one usually encounters in desert scenery manage to stay alive?

The next meeting of the Grayling Garden Club should help you discover how easy these succulent plants survive and thrive, even here in the north country. They are not only easy to grow but can be used in very creative ways, such as dish gar-

The discussion will also include Therapy Gardening, encompassing mind, body and spirit while getting your hands into the warm loamy

Members will meet on Thursday, February 4, from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Michelson Memorial Church on the lower level.

The first greenhouse tour of the season is scheduled for Saturday. February 6 at The Greenhouse in Roscommon, owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Ken Melvin.

Melvin, who is widely known for organic gardening, will take members through the greenhouses to see the initial stages of growth of his beautiful plants.

While on the tour, Melvin asks visitors to be careful not to step on a ladybug or praying mantis as they are very busy, going about the plants performing cleaning chores.

Members will meet at AuSable Construction at 2342 Industrial Drive at 9:45 a.m. on Saturday, February 6, to car pool to the greenhouse. As always, guests are wel-

'Shamrocks Against Dystrophy' fund-raising campaign kicks off

"Share the luck of the Irish with Jerry's Kids" is the theme for Muscular Dystrophy Association's (MDA) Shamrocks Against Dystrophy Campaign.

Businesses throughout northern Michigan, including some in Crawford County, have signed up to sell Shamrocks. MDA Corporate Sponsors are also "raising the green" for MDA.

The Shamrocks Against Dystrophy program works this way: Contact the

Muscular Dystrophy Association at (517) 792-4980 for your free Shamrock Kit. The kit includes 100 green Shamrock, a canister, poster and employee buttons.

From February 15 until March 17, St. Patrick's Day, the Shamrocks are sold for \$1 to customers who sign their names on the Shamrocks. The Shamrock is then hung from the



ceiling or taped to the wall to decorate for St. Patrick's Day.

Prizes are awarded based on the number of Shamrocks sold.

All proceeds benefit children and adults with neuromuscular diseases within the twenty-four county North Central Michigan area.

For further information, contact MDA at (517) 792-4980.

Habitat seeking bakers Fifty-five or older? You'll for Valentine Cookie Walk | save 30% on insurance.

Looking for something a little different for your special folks this baked and brought to the pizza par-Valentine's Day? Try this -- a plate | lor on Friday morning prior to 9:30 full of delicious, home-

made cookies. Crawford County Habitat for Humanity is launching Valentine Cookie Walk Friday, February 12. Just stop in at

Pizza on Michigan Avenue Grayling between the hours of 11 Grayling High School. a.m. and 2 p.m. to select a nice plate of cookies to give to your loved

"Hot Lips" and heart-shaped cookies will be available for sale along with other assortments.

All cookies will be freshly home-

Cookies will be sold by the pound and proceeds from the fundraiser will be applied to the third Habitat for Humanity house now under construction by the building trades students of

We will need a lot of cookie bakers for this fund-raiser, so if you've got a favorite recipe or just enjoy baking, please call Yvonne Sobieralski, Fund Development Chair at (517) 348-1803.

Conservation group to elect directors at annual open house

Two positions on the Crawford Roscommon Conservation District (CRCD) Board of Directors will be filled in an election during the district's open house annual meeting on Wednesday, February 3.

The terms of Directors Tom Zeneberg and Brian Willett expire this year. Willett has indicated he will not seek re-election.

Roscommon or Crawford County residents who wish to be candidates may call the district office at (517) 275-5231 by January 29.

employees

The local chapter of the National

Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE), Chapter

2305, will meet on Thursday,

February 4, at Michelson Memorial

United Methodist Church. Lunch

will be at 11:30 a.m., with the busi-

ness meeting starting at approxi-

mately 12:15 p.m. Membership is

open to civilians with at least five

years vested service in any agency

of federal or District of Columbia

government, including retirees, for-

mer employees, current employees

and spouses, and surviving spous-

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Rudy Martinez at 348-5326.

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Voting by the public will take place during the open house, from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., on February 3, at the district office located at 606 Lake Street in Roscommon.

Ballots will be counted during a board meeting at 7 p.m. that same

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•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ Grayling City Hall, 8pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh 5. 348-1307 for more information.
•SINGLES OF ROSCOMMON-CRAWFORD area will meet at Freds in Roscommon at 6:00 p.m.

FRI

• GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.

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•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information

MON

 ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today. •KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Shoppenagon's Inn, 12 noon.
•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm @ Frederic Township Hall. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.

TUES

• GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 8 pm.

Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information GPA MEETING @ Spike's at 12 noon. 2

• AuSABLE RIVER CANOE MARATHON joint meeting @ Mio AuSable Restaurant at 7 p.m. • ADHD parent's support group meeting, 615 S. Elm, Gaylord at 7 p.m. Call 517-732-3529 for more info. • ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon.

AuSABLE QUILT GUILD meeting @ St. John's Church, 10 a.m.

WED 3

•WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in, 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.

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The Way to Eternal Life

Most people hope they will go to Heaven when they die. Yet, Jesus Christ said many people will follow the wide gate and broad way to destruction, while few will find the strait gate and narrow way which leads to life. (Matthew 7:13-14) "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: {14} Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that

Many people are trusting their own self-righteousness to reach heaven. Yet, Jesus said, "(Matthew 5:20) "For I say unto you. That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ve shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven." God tells us why our selfrighteousness cannot save us. (Isaiah 64:6) "But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind. have taken us away." (Romans 3:23) "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God,"

Many people compare their own lives with the lives of others hoping to

earn Heaven. (2 Corinthians 10:12) "For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise." (Proverbs 26:12) "Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? there is more hope of a fool than of him. (Ecclesiastes 7:20) "For there is not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not."

Eternal salvation is not developed through some spark of divinity within us. Eternal salvation is not found in a church, a creed, a sacrament, a family, an experience, or a profession. Jesus said. (John 5:39-40) "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they which testify of me. {40} And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life." "Romans 6:23) "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (1 John 5:11-13) "And this is the record. that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. { 12} He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. {13} These things have I written unto you

that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God."

Our Lord Jesus Christ is the strait gate and the narrow way to eternal life. (John 14:6) "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me." Our Lord Jesus Christ made personal faith in His person, His Word, and His work, our only hope of eternal life. Jesus Christ made faith in His death, burial, and resurrection for our sins, the only way of salvation, the only truth of salvation, and the only source of His eternal life. Are you saved today?

Pastor "B"

Please pray for the ministry of this column and our church Websites at http://freeway.net/~cba/ and at http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/R anch/1263/

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Christian Science Society

Marriage Encounter Weekend planned for March at Tree Tops

Your honeymoon was a special time... Wherever you went, the things you saw and did were secondary. Just being with one another was most important. The Marriage Encounter Weekend has the same

A Marriage Encounter Weekend is a special time for couples that have a good marriage but want to grow deeper in their relationship. The program is meant to enrich good marriages by strengthening communication and rediscovering what a good thing you have going.

The program is also based in the belief that the very best thing a father can do for his children is to

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love their mother and the very best How often couples find themselves thing a mother can do for her children is to love their father.

Children need the security, permanence, and stability they derive from their parents' love for each other. They know when their parents are communicating and listening to each other then they are more open to listen to the children as well.

Encounter Marriage Weekend can make a great Valentine's Day gift and create an opportunity for couples to spend some time concentrating on their relationships by putting aside the day-to-day routine.

Scripture says about married people that "two shall live as one." living as two in this busy world. Marriage Encounter is a chance to

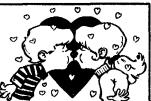
shut the world out for a little while. The program is hosted by volunteers who are previous Marriage Encounter Weekend couples.

The weekend will be held at Tree Tops Sylvan Resort in Gaylord, March 19-21. There is no "group sharing" involved and the weekend is very casual.

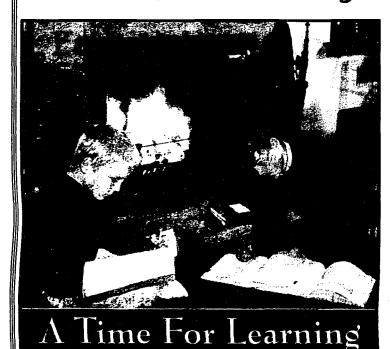
The program averages about 25 couples each session held in conjunction with Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Registration fee is \$25.

For more information, please call Chris or Steve Seager at 348-8096.

Don't forget to send the one you love a valentine in the **Crawford County Avalanche** Valentine Greeting in the February 11th issue.



Church Directory



These are wonderful years, when there is so much to learn-and hours enough

in which to learn it. Youth has an unquenchable thirst for knowledge; also the desire, the capacity and the energy to absorb-if given even a little encouragement. But today, perhaps more than ever before in history, youth need

This is certainly not limited to "book" knowledge. Our youth need time to learn about relationships, values, and their creator.

These lessons are learned from significant people who care to spend time in daily involvement with them. Surround them with these people - some of which can be found in your house of worship. Guide our young people in this direction.

John Acts

Acts Acts 9:1-25 9:26-43

Acts 1 Corinthians 1 Corinthia 10:1-33 10:34-48

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St. John Lutheran (ELCA) Pastor Robert Faber 710 Spruce Street

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P.O. Box 1188 Church School 9:45 am Preaching11 am Midweek Service Prayer 7 pm

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"Today's real estate brokers and agents want to provide a full menu of services for their clients, whether they are buyers or sellers," explained Terrence M. McDermott, President and CEO of REBAC.

"The ABR designation, the benchmark of excellence in buyer agency service, demonstrates to clients that the agent has taken steps to continue their education in the field of buyer representation, and has the proven experience and training to deliver ethical and professional service to real estate buyers."

Scheer joins more than 12,000 real estate professionals in North America who have earned the ABR designation. The requirements for this coveted designation include a comprehensive two-day course in buyer repre-



Charlene Scheer

sentation, a written examination on legal and practical aspects of client representation, practical experience in the field of buyer representation.

Scheer is owner of RE/MAX of Grayling and also has achieved the Certified Real Estate Brokerage Manager. Certified Residential Specialist, and Graduate Realtor Institute designations.

Salyers honored for leadership

honored for outstanding leadership of young people during 1998 as director of the local Modern Woodmen of America Junior Service Club.

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Pat Salyers of Grayling, was Modern Woodmen and are 16 years of age or younger. The leaders are Modern Woodmen adult members. The clubs follow a fraternal youth program which provides children with opportunities to participate in social, civic, educational, and fraternal activities.

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Tri-Lakes goes on-line

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Tri-Lakes Home Builders Association has a complete list of builder and associate members. just click on the category that you want and it will give you names, addresses and phone numbers. Some members even have e-mail and their own web page.

A visit to the Tri-Lakes web site will open the door to information on such subjects as Choosing a Builder, Home Builder Tips, and information on the annual Home

The Tri-Lakes site is linked to other organizations, such as: Higgins Lake-Roscommon Chamber of Commerce, Houghton Lake Chamber of Commerce, Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, National Association of Home Builders, and the Michigan Association of Home Builders.

Electric company invites public to discuss wind power Feb. 8

Great Lakes Energy (GLE) customers interested in wind power are invited to a February 8 informational meeting in Harbor Springs, hosted by their power company.

GLE is currently reviewing a proposal drafted by a Traverse City engineering firm to erect an estimated \$650,000 wind turbine north of Harbor Springs that could generate nearly 701,800 kilowatt hours a year, enough to light 87 homes based on GLE's average kilowatt hours used.

The proposal is the recommendation of a 12-month wind power study conducted by Gosling Czuback Engineering Sciences that was completed last year. The \$16,000 study was partially funded by an \$8,000 state Energy Resources Division grant. Wind data was collected from sites throughout northern Michigan.

The study concluded that the most promising location for wind generation in GLE's northern region is in the Stutsmanville area north of Harbor Springs, according to Charles R. Fricke, manager of Gosling Czuback's Energy Services Division.

One of the first questions GLE will need to consider in determining whether to go ahead with the project is whether enough customers would be willing to pay

more for "green power" derived from an environmentally-friendly source. GLE and its engineers expect to learn the answer February 8.

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the conference room at the Little Traverse Conservancy, 3262 Powell Road.

The proposed wind generator would be similar to the one that Fricke helped bring to Traverse City that has operated for more than two years.



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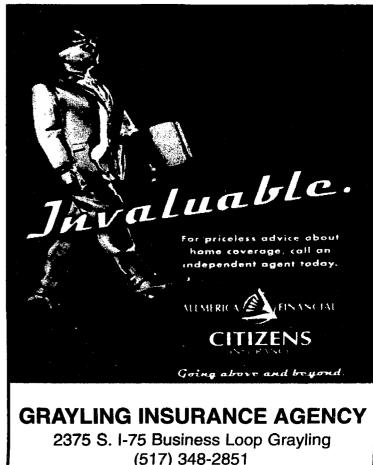
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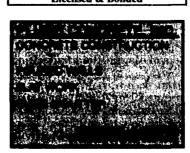
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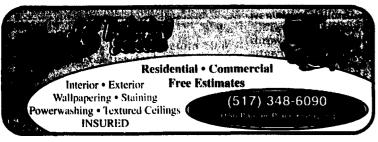
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Mercy receives 'Best Practice' rating

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During a recent Joint Commission survey, Mercy's performance improvement activities were noted as a "Best Practice." The concept of best practice highlights programs which the Joint Commission feel are the best throughout the Mercy system and those which other health care systems can model.

Commission "The Joint Accreditation Survey is very intensive. To rate our performance improvement activities, the Joint Commission interviewed our health care team; required that we present Continuous Quality Improvement Teams which focused on specific projects related to improvement; reviewed quality and patient outcomes data and visited all patient care units interacting with physicians, staff and patients. Our CQI presentations focused on Mercy's Chest Pain Management



Debra Anthony Larson. MSW, Director of Quality and Risk Management, **Grayling Mercy Hospital**

Team led by Alan Bersted, M.D. Medical Director, Emergency Service and the Holistic Nursing Team led by Sister Jean Umlor, RSM, RN," related Debra Anthony Larson, MSW, Director of Quality and Risk Management.

"We were honored by the Joint Commission's identification of our

Performance Activities as a Best Practice. We are fortunate to have a health care team who believes in providing quality services and who commit to continuous quality improvement when caring for our patients," said Larson.

She continued, "Quality matters to us, beginning with our administrative leaders and physicians, down to every staff member. This commitment by everyone here at Mercy Grayling was apparent to the Joint Commission during our survey."

The Joint Commission requires ongoing monitoring of specific clinical indicators and outcomes.

"This focus on outcomes has afforded us the opportunity to monitor data which demonstrated key aspects of quality patient care," said Larson.

"Overall, our outcomes are very good in regards to mortality, C-sections, infections and complications. We have also received high scores from our customers in regard to our patient care, which was taken into consideration toward our high accreditation score from Joint Commission."

The next Joint Commission survey will take place in 2001.

Beat the champs in chili cook-off

The defending champions of the Winter Wolf Festival Chili Cook-Off are issuing a challenge to all businesses and individuals with a food service license to join in the competition.

The Grayling Mercy Hospital Food Service Department is looking for more competition at this year's cook-off planned for February 7.

The Winter Wolf Festival Chili Cook-Off is in its eighth year and Mercy Hospital has come in first place every year but one, which was 1996 when the Iron Gate Restaurant defeated them.

Not only has Mercy been successful with their red chili, but their white chili has come in second place for the last two years.

Mercy Hospital is the sponsoring organization this year. It is their wish to bring in more competition and see growth potential in the whole event.

"We are really excited to be a part of this event," said Lynn Ferrigan of Mercy Food Services. 'We hope that we can get more participation because it will make it even more fun."

Anyone can be a chili cook-off judge. For only \$1, you can taste all of the entered chili's and vote on your favorite one. Just go to the Main Lodge at Hanson Hills, between 12 noon and 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 7.

You can register for the chili cook-off by calling Hanson Hills at 348-9266 or Lynn Ferrigan of Mercy Hospital at 348-5461.

Ice build-up on roofs downing power lines

more than 500 reports of downed electric wires due to icicle damage since January 17.

Recent weather conditions have led to ice forming on eaves and over hangs throughout lower Michigan. With the arrival of warmer temperatures, some ice has been falling onto electric lines to homes, causing service interruptions.

"Removing ice before it builds up and falls into electric lines can preVance Anderson, field manager for the utility. "Additionally, ice buildup can affect gas meters, phone service and even cable television wires."

Heat being lost through the roof melts the snow, causing water to run to the edge of the roof. Once the water gets to the edge of the roof, it meets freezing air and begins to form icicles. When the icicles become too heavy to support themselves, coupled with moderating daytime tempera-

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Family Fun Center opens in Grayling

by Chervil Ruley Staff Writer

A glance around the facilities at the recently opened Entertainment and Beyond Family Fun Center gives visitors a variety of activities from which to choose.

For a mere 50 cents, a kid can visit the center and play Nintendo games, air hockey or visit the soon to be opened computer room that includes Internet access via Webty.

There are three pool tables, two electronic dart games, a ping-pong table, a juke box, a big screen t.v., coin-operated video games and a "claw" game.

A small stage is available at the center to provide a venue for up and coming youth bands to show their stuff.

There are snacks like big, soft pretzels, nachos, hot dogs, popcorn and soda pop to wash it all down at reasonable prices

"We have opened this center as a service to the community," said Calvin Halfacre, "to help get and keep the kids off the streets." Halfacre, along with James Sego, opened the center on December 31 to give kids and families somewhere to have fun on New Year's Eve.

"We would like to see entire families come and spend some time together here just having some good old-fashioned fun," said Sego. "We'd like to see people of all ages enjoy the center - a community meeting place of sorts.'

Euchre, board game and other tournaments are a few of the ideas that Halfacre and Sego hope will bring in all age groups.

The center has received many visitors since its opening and the owners said that the kids have all been well behaved. They also said that fighting, swearing, smoking, drug or alcohol use will not be tolerated at their center and kids who break the rules will be shown to the door



Photos by Cheryll Ruley

FRIENDLY COMPETITION - Shawnna Jaskiewicz and Nancy Halfacre (foreground) play a friendly game of 8-Ball while Steve Zerkle and John Galloway square off at the next table at the Family Fun Center.

"We want this place to be the place to go when the kids get bored so they will stay out of trouble," said Halfacre. "Kids can come in here have some fun and even do their homework."

In the future the center will add a Virtual Reality Room and will self birthday party packages, complete with pizza, game tokens and a birthday cake. The management said that is why they named it Entertainment and Beyond - because they have a long list of ideas to keep the Grayling community entertained at family

Entertainment and Beyond Family Fun Center is located next to Reliable Supply, behind the BP Station. The center opens at 12 noon daily and will stay open as late as midnight on the weekends. Hours vary depending on the crowd. For more information, call 344-8131.



KID STUFF - (From left) Waylon Halfacre, James Sego, Jr. and Calvin Halfacre, Jr. play a colorful game on the Nintendo 64 at one of the play stations at Entertainment and Beyond Family Fun Center.

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Isabelle L. Jurkovich

Isabelle L. "Belle" Jurkovich, 54, of Traverse City, passed away on January 23, 1999 at her home.

Isabelle was born on October 22, 1944 to Dr. Leonard Allison and Isabelle Razor in Youngstown, Ohio. She was married to Collin T. "Tom" Jurkovich on December 28, 1963 in Grayling. She lived in Traverse City since 1992. She was a member of St. Francis Catholic Church in Traverse City and had been a foster parent. She enjoyed crafts and gardening.

She was preceded in death by her

Survivors include: her husband, Tom Jurkovich of Traverse City; one son, Collin T. Jurkovich of Traverse City; one brother, Newt Allison of Grayling and one sister, Caroline Andree of Longmont,

Services will be held on Saturday, January 30, 1999, at 11 a.m. at St. Francis Catholic Church, Traverse City, with Fr. Bill Lipscomb officiating. Friends may call at time of service. The family suggests memorials to Grand Traverse area Catholic schools.

Norbert J. Szkotnicki

Norbert J. Szkotnicki, 48, of Grayling, passed away on January 22, 1999, at his residence.

Norbert was born on September 8, 1950, in Grayling, to Norbert A. Szkotnicki and Yetive J. Stephan. Mr. Szkotnicki was a life long resident of Grayling. He was employed in the construction industry.

Funeral services were held on January 24, 1999 at Sorenson Funeral Home with Elder Theodore Engel Jr. officiating. Interment of ashes will be at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling, in the spring. The family request memorial contributions be made to Alcoholics Anonymous or Community Mental Health. Arrangements made by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel.

HOMETOWN News

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hetrick proudly announce the birth of a grandson, Stephen Paul Hetrick, on January 5, 1999.

Mom and Dad are Sean and Kathryn Hetrick of Washington, Michigan.

Stephen weighed 9 lbs., 1 ounce and measured 20 inches long.

He was welcomed at home by big sister, Michelle.

Paul Hetrick is home and doing very well after a quadruple by-pass on January 13 at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City.

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Paul Todd & Rachel Miller of Prudenville announce the arrival of Austun Samuel-James Todd born December 27, 1998.

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Terry Stanko & Dawn Woley of Prudenville announce the arrival of Allen Lee Stanko born December 28, 1998.

Michael & Cindy Brigham of Gaylord announce the arrival of Chase Amadeo Brigham born December 28, 1998.

Terry & Cathy Berg of Comins announce the arrival of Zachery Peter Berg born December 30,

Tim & Sherry Kozik announce the arrival of Timothy Alan Kozik, Jr. born January 1, 1999.

Michael & Angela Rosa of Roscommon announce the arrival of Alexis Marie Rosa born January 3, 1999.

Doug & Doniel Pummell of Roscommon announce the arrival of Holly Marie Pummell born January 5, 1999.

Melissa Hendrix of Houghton Lake announces the arrival of Mikayla Rae Hendrix born January 6, 1999.

Steven & Linda Sherwood, Jr. of Lake City announce the arrival of Justin Thomas Sherwood born January 7, 1999.

Cameron & Julie Sharp of Grayling announce the arrival of Lachlan Henry Taylor Sharp born January 7, 1999.

Jason & Pauline Jobson of Roscommon announce the arrival of Colton Jay Jobson born January 7, 1999.

Daniel Traud & Trena Denno of Harrison announce the arrival of Carol Crush Traud born January 10, 1999.

Josh & Angela Nichols of Mio announce the arrival of William Samuel Nichols born January 11,

Douglas & Wendy Sebert of Roscommon announce the arrival of Seth Sebert born January 14,

Trenary and Retz wed



Mr. & Mrs. Michael Retz

Jane Trenary, of Grayling, is pleased to announce the marriage of her daughter, Nicole Marie to Michael Wayne Retz, son of Ted and Shiela Retz of Hartford City, Indiana. Nicole is also the daughter of the late Thomas D. Trenary and the granddaughter of Eugene and Gertrude Lobsinger of Grayling. Michael is the grandson of Tilman Jr. and Barbara Clark and Rosanna Retz, all of Winchester, Indiana.

The ceremony took place May 30, 1998, at St. Mary Catholic Church, in Grayling, with Reverend Robert Nalley officiat-

Maid of Honor was Jody Lobsinger, cousin and friend of the bride. She wore an emerald green, a-line, floor length dress. The bridesmaids wearing electric blue colored dresses were: Lisa LaMotte-Kreger, Shelly (Trenary) MaChulis, Beth (Trenary) Szot, all sisters of the bride, and Nicole Lester, friend of the couple. The Junior Bridesmaids adorned in deep purple Dollywood dresses with white lace were: Molly Trenary, Kreger, Jenessa KavLee MaChulis, Faith Szot and Ashley

Smith, nieces of the bride. Rachael Retz, daughter of the groom, was a miniature bride, adorned all in white.

Bestman was James Hoffman, friend of the groom and his groomsmen were: Brad Trenary, brother of the bride, Brandon Retz and Jason Retz, brothers of the groom, and DJ Puroll, friend of the couple. The groomsmen wore black tuxedos with tails and star light vests to match the bridesmaid's dresses.

The bride wore a white satin gown adorned in pearls and sequins, that came off the shoulders. She wore a pearl and sequin crown veil.

The groom wore a white tuxedo with tails.

The reception was held at the K of C Hall in Grayling. The hall was decorated in emerald green, electric blue and dark purple with white Christmas lights in a Cinderella theme.

The newlyweds honeymooned in Orlando and Indian Rocks Beach, Florida. The couple was able to visit with childhood friends of the bride.

The couple resides in the Grayling area.

Hagon and Pellegrini exchange vows



Mrs. Michael Pellegrini

Lana Ann Hagon and Specialist Michael Pellegrini were united in marriage on December 12, 1998 at Calvary Assembly of God Church in Roscommon. Reverend Cook officiated at the ceremony. Lana is the daughter of Lanny

and Lynn Hagon of Grayling. Michael is the son of Junior and Kitty Pellegrini, also of Grayling. The bride's gown was designed

by Bridal Originals, with a traditional V-neckline, short sleeve "Satin Supreme" gown, detailed with "Embroidered Satin Lace" with trapunto effect. The gown has a matching bow and court train with tulle underlining, customized by Rebecca's Glass Slipper with pink rosebuds on the sleeves and skirt and was bustled in Rebecca's new Victorian-style Bustle.

The Matron of Honor was LaWelda Meyer of Roscommon. The Best Man was Robert Pellegrini, brother of the Groom. Erin Meyer was the Bridesmaid and Robin Meyer and Tony Pellegrini served as Groomsmen.

Renee and Brittany Pellegrini served as Flower Girls and Andrew Pellegrini served as Ring

The newlyweds will make their home in New York.

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Appearing before the Honorable Francis L. Walsh: Russell Edward Leach of

Grayling - Non-Sufficient Funds under \$50; assessed \$179.54. Timothy Scott Beach of Prescott -

Attempted Larceny under \$100; assessed \$260 and placed on 180 days probation.

Thorhallur G. Olafsson of Grayling - DNR General Violations; assessed \$250.

Joseph Alan Lyons of Roscommon - Non-Sufficient Funds under \$50; assessed \$841.50.

Patricia Rose Cox of Houghton Lake - Assault/Assault and Battery: placed on 365 days probation.

David Edward Scherer of Pontiac - Larceny of \$100 or less; assessed

Selena Gaile Welch (Kent) of Grayling - Impaired Driving; assessed \$810 and placed on 180 days probation.

James Edward Legg of Roscommon - Operate Under the Influence of Liquor; assessed \$810 and placed on 365 days probation.

Donna Lee North of Mio -Impaired Driving; assessed \$560

and placed on 180 days probation. Ernest Steven May of Grayling -Impaired Driving; assessed \$810 and placed on 365 probation.

Lori Ellen Fondren of Pontiac -Improper Use of License Plate and Disturbance of the Peace; assessed

James William McNamar of Grayling - Controlled Substance -Use of Marijuana; assessed \$260.

Stephen Miles McCarthy of Farwell - Reckless Driving; assessed \$410.

Carl Edmond Roach of Grayling -Non-Sufficient Funds under \$50; assessed \$160.

Donald Joseph Henski of Alpena -Cycle - Operate without Endorsement and Impaired Driving; assessed \$560, one day in jail and placed on 180 days probation.

Sean Linn Pickford of Eastpointe - License Suspended/Revoked; assessed \$260.

James Morris of Saginaw Uttering and Publishing; assessed

Wayne Lee Handrich of Grayling - Assault/Assault and Battery; assessed \$260 and placed on 365

William Allyn Chase of Grayling Impaired Driving; assessed \$610, one day in jail and placed on 180 days probation.

Nicholas James Lovely of Grayling - Controlled Substance -Possession of Marijuana; assessed \$760, one day in jail and placed on 365 days probation.

Joseph Francis Rosinski of Grayling - Impaired Driving; assessed \$560, two days in jail and placed on 180 days probation.

Gordon Allen Hellebuyck of Grayling - Impaired Driving; assessed \$810, one day in jail and placed on 180 days probation.

Wavne Lee Handrich of Grayling Controlled Substance - Use of Marijuana: assessed \$410, two days in jail and placed on 180 days probation.

Nicholas James Lovely of Grayling - Minor in Possession of Alcohol; assessed \$110.

Sheila Rae Forbing of Mio -Violation of Grayling Ordinance #4: assessed \$160.

Jeffrey Alan Parker of Northville - Impaired Driving; assessed \$560 and placed on 360 days probation.

Appearing before Magistrate Jean Callewaert:

Mark Andrew Leask of Sault Ste. Marie - Illegal Kill/Possession Purchase/Sale of Animal; assessed \$1,420 and five days in jail.

SHERIFF'S

18 through January 25:

The following complaints were received by the Crawford County Sheriff's Department from January

One Assault; two Burglary; two Larceny; one Fraud; two Property Damage; two Obscenity; one Family/Child; one Obstruction of Justice; four Public Peace; one OUIL/OUID; one Citation; seven Health and Safety; one Invasion of Privacy; two Conservation; five Miscellaneous Crime; six Minors; two Mental Health; 19 Accidents; one Non-traffic Accident; one Traffic Safety; four Snowmobile; one False Alarm; one Accident other; one Civil/Family Trouble; one Suspicious Situation; 14 General Non-Criminal.

A total of 84 complaints were handled by the sheriff's department during that week.

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46TH CIRCUIT COURT

December sentencings

Appearing before Honorable Carl Horn, sitting by assignment for the Honorable Alton T. Davis:

Avery Robert Parker, of Roscommon, - Probation Violation. Probation continued.

Appearing before Honorable Francis F. Walsh:

William C. James Lewis, of Lewiston, - Retail Fraud, First Degree. Sentenced to 365 days in the county jail (to be served in Alpena County) with credit for 96 days previously served; ordered to pay \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund.

David Allen Schram, of St. Charles, - Domestic Violence.

Sentenced to 180 days in the Crawford County Jail, with credit for 52 days previously served; ordered to pay \$180 court costs; \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$645 attorney fees; and placed on 18 months probation.

Kenneth Alvin Beck, of Mt. Pleasant, Larceny in a Building. Sentenced to 180 days in the county jail, with credit for 51 days previously served; ordered to pay \$119 restitution and \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund.

Shawn Patrick Sullivan, of Grayling, - Uttering & Publishing. Sentenced to 180 days in the county jail, with credit for 51 days previously served; ordered to pay \$180 court costs, \$3,200 restitution, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$645 attorney fees; and placed on 18 months probation.

Keith Allen Procunier, of Frederic, - Unlawful use of Motor Vehicle. Sentenced to 180 days in the county jail, with credit for 16 days previously served; ordered to pay \$240 court costs, \$80 restitution, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$645 attorney fees.

Travis S. Ockerman, of Hubbard Lake, - Breaking and Entering with Intent. Sentenced to 90 days in the county jail, with credit for 53 days previously served; ordered to pay \$180 court costs, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$645 attorney fees, restitution to be determined; and placed on 18 months probation.

RANGE

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling during the period of January 27 through February 2 at the Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Road 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road).

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HEALTHLINE

Suggestions for healthier eating

by Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department No. 10, which covers a ten county area. If you have any questions you would like answered in this column, please send them to: Health Education Department, in care of your local Health Department.

Q. This is the year I will really try to eat healthy. Any suggestions?

A Here are a few tips that are easy to follow and don't require any drastic changes in your normal eating patterns. However, they can result in a much healthier diet.

1. Refrigerate stews and soups after cooking them. This allows the fat to congeal on top where it can be removed easily. If you need to eat promptly, try placing a few ice cubes in the stew to hasten the process. In 5 to 10 minutes the fat should be congealed enough to skim

2. Frying eggplant is like dipping small sponges in oil. Eggplant soaks up cooking oil faster than any other vegetable. Bake or broil eggplant instead.



the one you love a valentine in the **Crawford County Avalanche Valentine** Greeting in the February 11th issue. Call 348-6811 for more details!

3. Removing skin from chicken can cut its fat content by threefourths and the calories by nearly one-half. 4. Pizza calories seem to increase

as weight increases. A slice that weighs 8 ounces with lots of cheese and pepperoni probably has calories in excess of 700.

5. Switching from regular granola to low fat granola means that the 5 grams of fat per ounce is reduced to only 2 grams of fat.

6. When buying beef, look for the words like "loin" as in sirloin or tenderloin or the word "round". These cuts of meat, both beef and pork, have only a little more fat than skinless chicken breast.

7. Look for calcium content when selecting low fat yogurt. Chose varieties that have at least 30% of the daily value for calcium. Some brands of yogurt even supply 35 - 40%.

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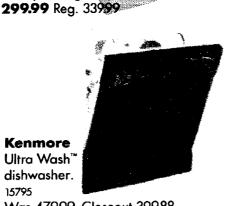


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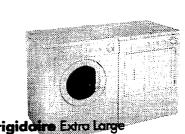
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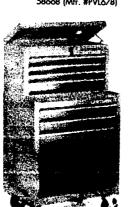
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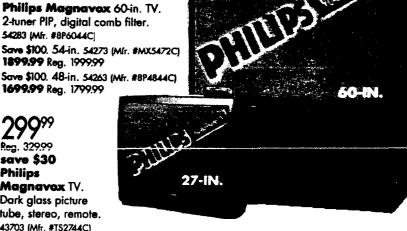
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Uninsured kids may qualify for state health care

and teenagers throughout Michigan now have access to comprehensive health care coverage through Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, thanks to MIChild, a new state program that provides health care coverage at a low cost to children in families who don't qualify for Medicaid or other insurance and meet certain income requirements.

Richard E. Whitmer, Blues president and chief executive officer, is appearing in television public service announcements about MIChild to encourage families with potentially eligible children to apply now.

The Blues are the only health and dental plan to participate in MIChild (pronounced "my child") in all 83 Michigan counties. Twelve other health plans and three other dental plans also participate in the program in various counties.

"Access to quality health care is vital to our communities and MIChild can help many thousands of children lead happier and healthier lives," said Whitmer. "Airing television public service announcements is one of the ways that we and I'm sure other health plans --will help the state get word out about the program."

Whitmer said the Blues' experi-

Thousands of uninsured children ence in providing access to uninsured children through the Caring Program for Children has prepared the company for serving MIChild youngsters.

The Blues administered the

Caring Program for Children from October 1991 until October 1998. Through a combination of private donations and foundation and state matching funds, the Caring program provided basic health care coverage during the last seven years at no cost to nearly 18,000 formerly uninsured children. It also identified thousands of other youngsters who were eligible for — but not enrolled — in the state's Medicaid program. In October, 3,000 youngsters in the Caring

To qualify for MIChild, children must be U.S. citizens (some legal immigrants qualify, too), live in Michigan, be under 19 years old, have no health insurance and meet

Program were transferred to

family income guidelines. Eligible children live in a family with monthly income of about \$1,800 for a family of two, \$2,300 for a family of three, \$2,800 for a family of four, and \$3,200 for a family of five.

Covered services include regular checkups, shots, emergency care,

dental care, pharmacy, hospital care, prenatal care and delivery, vision and hearing, and mental health and substance abuse services. Some other services are included, too. Enrollees get the full list of benefits when their coverage begins.

To apply for the state program, families should call MIChild tollfree at 1-888-988-6300. Language interpreters are available to help fill out applications. Persons with hearing disabilities should call 1-888-263-5897. The calls are free.

If a child qualifies, the family pays a monthly premium of \$5. Even if you have more than one child you pay only \$5 a month. There are no co-payments or deductibles as long as families choose a doctor who is among the Blues' 15,000 PPO health care

DISTRICT HEALTH DEPT. No. 10

District Health Department No. 10 has scheduled the following clinics for the Grayling Office. Appointments are either recommended or required for all clinics and can be made by calling 348-

Information is also available on Foot Care, Maternal Support, and Environmental Health Services.

Immunization Clinic: February 3, 8, 17 and 22. Family Planning: February 2 and

Premarital Education Class: February 9.

WIC Supplemental Food Program for pregnant women, infants and children: February 8, 17, 19, 22 and

Frederic Satellite Clinic: Call for

information.

HIV/AIDS Testing (Confidential):

February 11 and 25. Maternal Support Service of Pregnant Women: February 11.

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training Session: Quarterly - March 10.*

* Available at Cadillac Office only. Call (616) 775-9942 for appointment.

NOTE: New program available -Coronary Risk Profile. This is a total cholesterol screening - HDL, LDL, Triglycerides, Glucose and blood pressure. The cost is \$25 per person, offered twice a year, by appointment only. The Grayling Health Department will be offering the screenings on April 30 and

Qualified expenses covered by

the tax credits are tuition and

required fees, less any grants and

scholarships that are received tax-

free. Room, board, books and sup-

To take advantage of the Hope

and Lifetime Learning tax credits,

taxpayers must complete and sub-

mit IRS Form 8863 with their fed-

For more information, call the

IRS Help line at 1-800-829-1040,

read IRS publication 970, or visit

the Treasury Department's web site

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eral tax return.

Higher education credits now available to tax filers

New higher education tax credits of the second \$1,000. could almost have parents of college students looking forward to

The 1998 tax year is the first year that the Hope and Lifetime Learning tax credits, which directly reduce the amount of federal income tax owed, are available to help families meet the cost of postsecondary education, whether for a bachelor's degree, graduate or professional study, or vocational or job-related training.

"A college education or job training can translate into thousands of dollars in additional income for families and a better life, and these tax credits are a means to make that end more affordable," said U.S. Education Secretary Richard W.

The two tax credits will benefit some 13 million families when fully implemented. Following are some guidelines on what the tax credits cover, who qualifies, and IRS sources to contact for more

A Hope tax credit of up to \$1,500 can be claimed for two years for each student in a family who is enrolled in higher education at least half-time at an eligible edu-

Jed and Mary Kay Blaauw of Grayling.

Gary and Margaret Gugin of Frederic.

Madonna University

senior, social work.

M. Smith Bachelor's degree.

HONORS

The goal of Hope is to make it possible for all Americans to afford the cost of the first two years of a college education. In most states, the Hope credit will cover the cost of a community college education. There is no limit on the number of eligible students who can claim a Hope credit in a household in any

Example: A married couple with an adjusted gross income of \$60,000 with two children in college at least half-time -- one a freshman at a community college with a tuition of \$2,000 and the other a sophomore at a private college with tuition of \$11,000. Using the Hope Scholarship tax credit, this couple can cut their taxes by \$3,000.

The Lifetime Learning tax credit picks up where Hope leaves off -- it's available for vocational, college, graduate and professional students, and adults who want to upgrade their job skills or acquire new ones or pursue another course of study, and even for a student taking one course as long as it is job-

In 1998, tax filers can claim a \$5,000 paid in qualified tuition and yet completed his or her first two fees on or after July 1. A taxpayer same year. can claim only one Lifetime The credit is 100 percent of the Learning credit per tax year for the first \$1,000 of payments for quali- aggregate amount of qualified fied tuition and fees, and 50 percent tuition and fees of those students in

Nineteen residents from Upper Michigan and northern Lower Michigan

were among the 227 students named to Adrian College's 1998 Fall Semester

Dean's List. To achieve this honor, a student must maintain a 3.50 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and carry at least 12 credit hours of classes.

• Brooke I. Blaauw, a junior majoring in human services with a minor in psychology, a 1996 graduate of Grayling High School, and the daughter of

• Dennis R. Gugin, a sophomore planning a major in business administration/marketing, a 1997 graduate of Grayling High School, and the son of

Named to the Dean's List in recognition for superior academic achieve-

ment during the past term at Madonna University, Livonia, Mich., were the

following: Mary C. Blaauw, of Grayling, Junior, social work, Patricia J.

Bonamie, of Grayling, senior, social work; Dawn M. Smith of Grayling,

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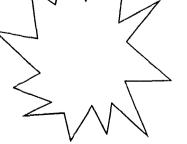
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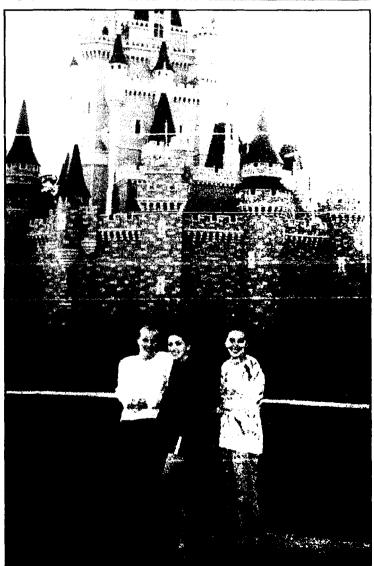
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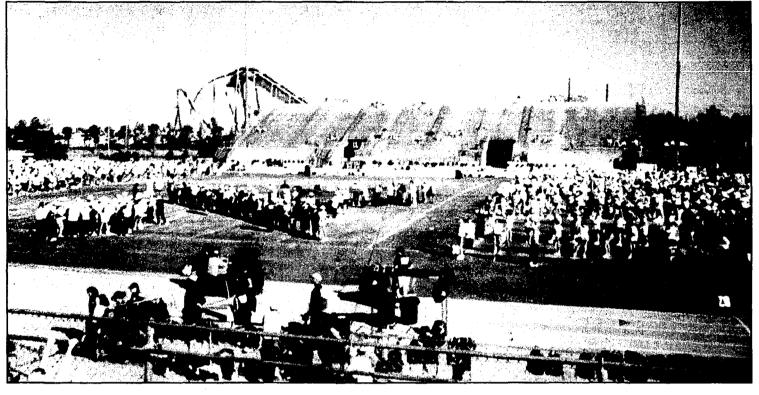
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Grayling Viking Cheerleaders participate in half-time show at Citrus Bowl in Orlando









By Cheryll Ruley Staff Writer

Grayling High School cheerleaders Jessie Becks, Jamie Anderson and Darci Trudgeon spent eight days in the Florida sunshine after being selected to participate in half-time activities at the recent Citrus Bowl in Orlando.

The three cheerleaders performed to the song *The Devil Went Down to Georgia* with the Charlie Daniels Band.

Amanda Love was also selected to go, but was unable to make the trip.

The young ladies, along with their coach Chris Burrell spent hours practicing their routine at Orlando High School, where Universal Studios casts a shadow over the school's football field.

In their spare time the foursome sion aud spent hours shopping at such million.

stores as FAO Schwartz toy store and the 14 stores at the Clarion Hotel where they stayed.

While in Florida, the girls were invited to an Island Style Pool Party but once again opted to go shopping. They did manage to visit Walt Disney World on an unseasonably cool day when sweatshirts and pants weren't enough to keep them warm on the rides. They also toured Universal Studios.

The girls said that what originally was supposed to be a six-day vacation, turned into an eight-day energy absorber. But, they all agreed that this was one of the best trips they have ever been on and would never forget performing with over 1,200 other performers in front of on international television audience of an estimated 10 million



Cirtus Bowl and Orlando photos courtesy of: Jamie Anderson and Darci Trudgeon

Users must now pay at some National Forest areas

Rec Fee Demo to begin in Huron-Manistee forests

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service has been working on a proposal to implement a Recreation Fee Demonstration Test Project in Huron-Manistee National Forest areas, with the proposed fee changes to take place in 1999.

According to the USDA, use of the National Forests has increased, while federal funding for the areas has decreased.

The USDA's Recreation Fee Demonstration, or "Rec Fee Demo," was developed in order to address the monetary needs of the Huron-Manistee forests.

The program is designed to generate more money from those who use the forest areas.

The process of creating and refining the Rec Fee Demo proposal involved extensive collecting of data from various sources, including area business, the general public, media representatives, and forest area users

"Hearing from our recreation customers is very important," said Rose Ingram, Forest Recreation Program Manager. "A lot of the comments we received from users helped us to make a better proposal. The modifications in the final project helped address concerns that were raised about equity of fees and impacts to local communities."

The main part of the Huron-Manistee Rec Fee Demo centers around fees charged for parking at designated sites. There are 51 such sites, and they include river access sites, dispersed camping areas and non-motorized trailheads.

The parking fees, which will be activated on May 15, 1999, are \$3 for a daily pass, \$5 for a weekly pass or \$20 for an annual pass. Golden Age Passport holders will be able to purchase passes at a 50 percent discount at Forest'Services offices.

Arrangements can be made to earn a free annual pass by doing volunteer work through a Forest Service volunteer program.

The only Huron-Manistee forest area in Crawford County that will be affected by the Rec Fee Demo parking fee is. Wakeley Lake. (Kneff Lake, which is also a Huron-Manistee National Forest area in Crawford County, will not be affected since it is on the concessionaire system.)

Another change under the Rec Fee Demo will be a required watercraft permit for the Pere Marquette and Pine Rivers between May 15 to September 10. There will be no charge for the permits unless reserved in advance through a Forest Service office, which will cost \$2. For more information on the watercraft permits, call 616-745-3100.

The dispersed camping site fees will be \$5 per night, and reservations, which will be required before occupying a campsite, will cost an additional \$2. The camping areas



WATCH FOR SIGNS – When enjoying National Forest areas this summer, make sure you look for a sign like this. You may be required to pay a Rec Demo Fee for your favorite park or river access site beginning May 15, 1999.

affected will be along the AuSable River below the 4001 landing. For

more information regarding AuSable River camping contact the Huron Shores Ranger Station at 517-739-0728.

Guided Kirtland's warbler tours will now cost \$5 per person, and will be available from May 15 to July 2. For more information on Kirtland's warbler tours call the Mio Ranger District at 517-826-

According to the USDA Forest Service, at least 80 percent of the fees collected will be spent directly on the recreational facilities they are collected from. Possible projects the fees could be used to fund include: replacing or repairing toilets, walkways and signs; replacing bridges; clearing trails; addressing erosion problems; installing interpretive signs; providing new brochures and maps; and increasing visitor services and law enforce-

"The Huron-Manistee National Forest will be developing a list of priority projects to reinvest the funds collected. We are interested in any ideas people may have for improvement of our services and facilities," said Forest Supervisor Corbin Newman, Jr.

"As we initiate this Recreation Fee Demonstration project, we will be evaluating customer satisfaction," continued Newman. "As this feedback is received, we will consider changes to help increase the support for the project and its effectiveness."



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Viking skiers take conference lead

Ski Team defeated Mt. Pleasant and Harrison on Tuesday, January 19, to take control of the Central Alpine Ski Conference (CASC) lead.

The victories put GHS two wins ahead of its nearest competitors in the race for the CASC champi-

The Vikings beat Harrison 27-49 and Mt. Pleasant 26-52 at Silver

Colin Hunter was the top Viking skier in both meets, after placing

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Viking of the Week



Skiing Coach: Mike Wieland **ERIC THOMPSON**

Eric led the Boys Team in slalom victories last week against Mt. Pleasant and Harrison. He also had two 3rd place finishes in giant slalom.

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Viking of the Week



Skiing Coach: Mike Wieland KIM HARTMAN

Kim finished 2nd and 3rd in giant slalom last week, helping the girls defeat Harrison. She also placed 3rd and 5th in slalom in both meets.

The Grayling High School Boys 1st in slalom against both teams and ish in slalom and 4th and 10th in the 2nd in giant slalom. Eric Thompson placed first in the giant slalom event in both meets and took 3rd in the slalom events.

> Matt Ginther placed 4th and 5th in the slalom events and 5th and 6th in the giant slalom competitions. Ray Trudgeon placed 6th and 8th in slalom and 4th and 3rd in the giant slalom.

> Josh Mueller placed 5th in slalom against Mt. Pleasant and 7th against Harrison. Jason Boreo placed 7th in giant slalom against Mt. Pleasant and 6th against Harrison. Derek Quick ended the running order, placing 9th and 12th in slalom against Mt. Pleasant and 12th and 10th in giant slalom against Harrison.

> The GHS Girls Team defeated Harrison 27-48 and lost to Mt. Pleasant by one point, 39-38.

> The top Viking skier was Katie Olson, who placed 1st in giant slalom against both schools and 1st and 2nd in slalom. Brooke Ginther placed 3rd and 2nd in slalom against Mt. Pleasant and Harrison and was 4th and 3rd in giant slalom.

Kim Hartman placed 5th and 3rd in slalom for the two meets and was 3rd and 2nd in giant slalom. Kelly Jansen finished the running order for the girls with an 11th place fin-

giant slalom events.

In "B" Team races, the Viking boys placed in the following order on the Grayling team: (giant slalom) Paul Jansen, 1st; Mueller. 2nd; Matt Mitchell, 3rd; Damian Fleischmann, 4th; Matt Thomas. 5th; Keil Clough, 6th; Ben McInally, 7th; Justin Fenn, 8th. (slalom) Jansen, 1st; Thomas, 2nd: Clough, 3rd; McInally, 4th; Eric Hart, 5th; Fleischmann, 6th; Travis LaMotte, 7th; Fenn, 8th.

Tuesday was the only one of the

week for the Viking due to exams.

GHS will return to the ski hills for back-to-back meets this week. on Wednesday, January 27 and Thursday, January 28.

On Wednesday the team will head to Sylvan Resort in Gaylord for the Gaylord Burger King Invitational, and will return to Silver Ridge on Thursday to take on conference rivals Farwell and Mt. Pleasant.

The Vikings will go to Boyne Mountain on Saturday, January 30, The meet at Silver Ridge last to take on Boyne City in a non-conference match-up.

Varsity Basketball loses to Saginaw Valley Chargers

by Caleb Casey Staff Writer

The GHS Varsity Basketball Team lost a conference battle to the Saginaw Valley Lutheran Chargers on Tuesday, January 19, by 12 points, 60-72.

"Obviously, our team is very disappointed in our effort and our performance in this game," said Coach Rich Moffit. "We did not shoot the ball very well (22/66 from the floor) and we did not play with the same intensity that we had in our previous

Nate Hinkle led the Grayling scoring with 26 points. Brad Ritter put in 12 points, and Dave Hawkins scored

"Our team needs to gel together as we head down the stretch of our seasaid Coach Moffit. "Offensively, we have not created shots for each other. We have a huge week coming up with Ogemaw and Gladwin."

The team will host Gladwin on Friday, January 29.

1998-99 Cheerleading squads



VARSITY CHEERLEADING -- (front row, left to right) Tiffany Craigie, Jessie Becks, Tasha Carlisle. (middle) Coach Chris Burrell. (back row, left to right) Jamie Anderson, Heidie Wallace.



Team photos by Linda Golnick

JV CHEER TEAM -- (front row, left to right) Joyce Thomas, Michelle Stepp. (middle row, left to right) Nicole Fisette, Coach Gail Belcher, Sarah Weaver. (back row, left to right) Alesha Wargo, Rachel Evon.



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GHS Wrestling takes 4th at WP Invitational

The Grayling High School Wrestling Team traveled to Oscoda on Thursday, January 21, Marc Weaver, Andy Palmer, Larry to take on Oscoda and West Branch Ogemaw Heights.

The Vikings beat Oscoda by a score of 66-12, but fell to Ogemaw

Chris Peters.

Winning points for Grayling were: Matt Evon, Josh Niederer, Baker, Alfred Borchers, Chris Peters, Victor CdeBaca, Ray Pyle and Pete Mead.

GHS went to Whittemore Prescott on Saturday, January 23,

WP INVITATIONAL -- The following Vikings earned medals at the Whittemore

Prescott Invitational: (front row, left to right) Larry Baker, Matt Evon. (back row, left to

right) Victor CdeBaca, Marianne Vollmer, Josh Niederer, Marc Weaver, Andy Palmer,

an opponent at the Whittemore Prescott Invitational.

Prescott Invitational. Grayling ended up taking fourth place at the tournament.

Eight Viking wrestlers took medals at the meet: Evon, 1st; Baker, 1st; Weaver, 2nd; Niederer, 3rd; Marianne Vollmer, 3rd;

for the eight-team Whittemore Peters, 3rd; CdeBaca, 3rd; Palmer,

Grayling will host a dual meet against Tawas and Pinconning on Thursday, January 28. Wrestling action will start at 6:15 p.m.

The team will head to Gaylord on Saturday, January 30.



Viking of the Week

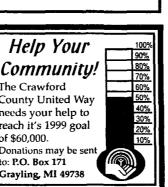
Wrestling Coach: Don Ferguson LARRY BAKER

Larry won five matches last week, including taking a first place medal at the eight-team Whittemore Prescott Invitational.



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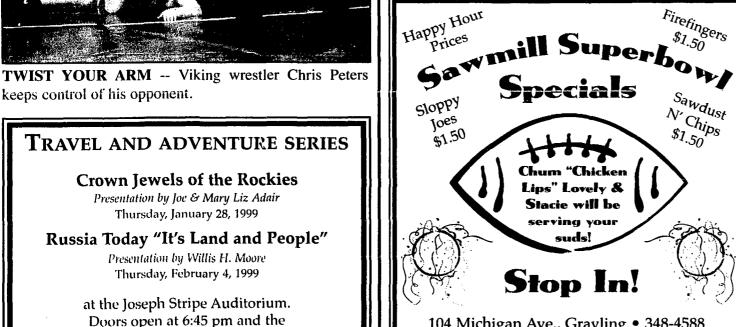
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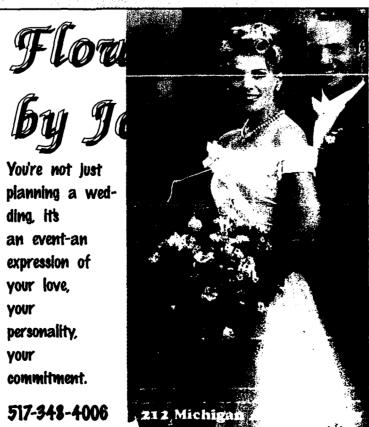
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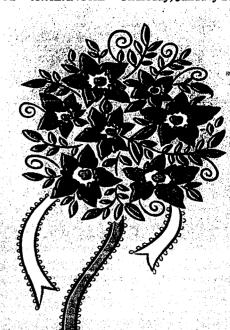
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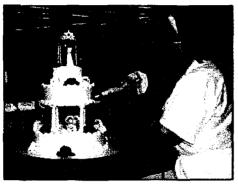








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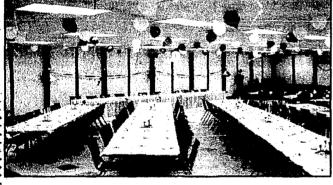
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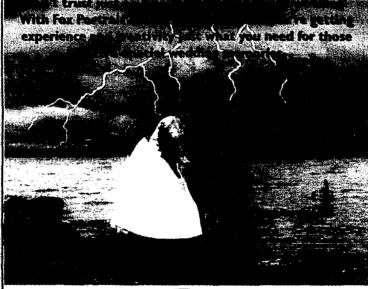




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Two Vikings earn All-State honors

GHS Soccer holds awards banquet

The Grayling High School Boys Soccer Team celebrated a successful 1998 season with an end-of-the-season awards banquet in November.

The team won the North East Michigan Conference championship this past season, posting an 11-1 record (16-3-2 overall). GHS outscored its NEMC opponents 52-13. Overall, the Vikings outscored their opponents 79-23.

Grayling made it as far as the District Finals.

GHS Soccer received 17 outside awards for the '98 season, including a pair of All-State honors from the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association (MHSSCA).



Kyle Langseth

Kyle Langseth, a sophomore, was named to the All-State 2nd Team. Langseth recorded 29 goals and 18 assists on the season and functioned as one of the team's three captains. (Eric Thompson and Kane Madsen were the other two.)

Senior Jeremy Jones was named an All-State Honorable Mention. Jones racked up 13 goals and 14 assists on the year, including scoring both goals in the 2-1 double overtime victory in Tawas that clinched the NEMC championship for GHS.

Jones and Langseth were also named All-Region.

Langseth, Jones, Thompson and David Hawkins were named All-District, and Mike Ostwald was selected as the "#1 goalkeeper."



WAZA -- Members of the Grayling High School Soccer Team display their NEMC championship T-shirts and flash the sign for WAZA, which is the training technique the team uses. WAZA means "technique" in Japanese.



Jeremy Jones

In the NEMC, Jon Haskel, Madsen and Langseth made the All-Conference 1st Team. Colin Hunter and Josh Petrie took All-Conference 2nd Team honors, and Jones, Thompson and Jeremey Millikin were named Honorable Mentions.

At the end-of-the-season banquet Coach Karen Langseth presented the annual team awards. The following are those awards, accompanied by a comment from Coach Langseth:

• MVP Award: The team's defensive unit -- Jeremey Millikin, Colin Hunter, Kane Madsen and David Hawkins. "The GHS defense was by far the best in the North East Michigan Conference, allowing just over one goal per game average."

· Leadership: Kyle Langseth. "(Kyle) provided team leadership at practice and at games, helping direct the team play and never-give-up



Soccer photos courtesy of Susan McCurdy

AWARDS -- Soccer team members line up with their awards. The team received 17 outside honors and Coach Langseth gave out several team awards.

Jeremy Jones and Jon Haskel. "The team could always count on them and expect great decision-making and quality aggressive play."

• Most Improved: Brian McCurdy and Derek Gregorich. "Much improved skills and game knowledge helped them become major contributors to the midfield and defense."

• 110% Award: Josh Petrie and Mike Pappas. "(They) would put out incredible effort for the entire game cess."

• Coaches Award: Eric Thompson, -- often times coming off the field drenched in sweat."

· Rookie of the Year: Mike Ostwald. "In his first year playing soccer Mike recorded eight shutouts and played the game of a lifetime in the double overtime win at Tawas when GHS clinched the NEMC championship.'

• Attitude: Justin Fenn, Ryan Mirate and Max Kotlik. "(They) worked hard with a great attitude that contributed to the team suc-

Freshmen Volleyball downed in two series

by Caleb Casey

Staff Writer

road a couple weeks ago to Pinconning and Gaylord.

The Viking girls played a best of against the Gaylord Blue Devils. Gaylord came out on top, posting scores of 15-5, 15-7 and 18-16.

"In the game with Gaylord they had a girl who served extremely well and we had trouble passing the ball," said Coach Tim Zigila. "Sheana McClain played well and Jessy Strait had four spikes for Gaylord series.

Team lost a pair of matches on the team faced Pinconning in a best of three series. Pinconning won by scores of 15-12 and 15-7.

"Jenny Mastej, Renee Kerr and five match on Monday, January 11, Liz Wheeler served well," said Coach Zigila.

> GHS served 22/29 (76%) against Pinconning and 26/32 (81%) in the

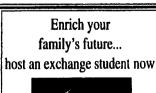
"We need to consistently serve The GHS Freshmen Volleyball On Wednesday, January 6, the around 90% to win," said Zigiła.

The team has had two games canceled recently due to bad weather: a January 4 home match against Tawas, and an away game at Bay City John Glenn on January 13.

The Vikes will head to Kalkaska on Saturday, January 23, to take on the Blue Blazers.



GETTING READY -- Members of the Grayling High School Freshmen Volleyball Team warm up for a match by bouncing the ball around.





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Freshmen Basketball moves to 5-1

Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Freshmen Boys Basketball Team won a hard-fought battle against the visiting Saginaw Valley Lutheran Chargers on Thursday, January 21, winning by a final score of 57-55.

Brandon Gorr had an excellent offensive game, scoring 36 points for the Vikings. Ricky Riggs was the high rebounder with 11.

The team started out well, going up 6-0 in the first period on points from Nick D'Amour, R.J. Schmidt and Gorr. The Chargers struggled from the floor early, and Grayling rebounded well to keep the second and third shot opportunities to a minimum.

Saginaw hit its first shot of the game at the 4:38 mark, and started to heat up from there. The Chargers went on an 8-2 scoring run to take a 10-8 lead over the Vikings.

Gorr scored the last points of the quarter with a three-point play, tying the game at 17-17.

GHS had a decent second period, holding the Chargers to eight points. The Vikes built up some momentum in the last two minutes of the half, scoring 10 unanswered

Grayling led 31-25 at halftime.

The Vikings continued to outscore Saginaw Valley in the third, going up by 10 at the 5:30 mark on a three-pointer by Gorr.

Saginaw fought back, outscoring GHS 13-4 the rest of the peri-

Grayling took a slim lead into the fourth, 43-42.

Saginaw opened the final period with an 8-0 scoring run to take a 43-50 lead. The Vikings continued to have problems with the Saginaw full court pressure, and lost the ball quite a few times due to sloppy passing.

Both teams had trouble capitalizing on free throw attempts down the stretch. With the score tied at 52-52 and the clock winding down, Saginaw hit one of two from the line to take a one point

Gorr then answered with a twopointer on a nice drive to the basket to give Grayling a one point

With 1:11 left in the game the Chargers fouled Gorr, putting him to the line for a one and one. Gorr hit the first and second to put GHS up 56-53.

Saginaw came back with a twopoint bucket to pull within one.

The Chargers got the ball back after Gorr missed on a one and one, and with nine seconds left in the game went to the line for two

With a chance to take the lead, Saginaw missed both free throws. Riggs brought down the crucial rebound on the second shot and got the ball out of the Charger a long way in getting us where we offensive zone with a dish to

With one second left, Saginaw fouled Schmidt. He hit one of two

Grayling's favor.

Saginaw couldn't put in the long buzzer-beater, and GHS came away with the victory.

"Probably our worst effort of the year in terms of energy. Not having played much since the new year really messed up our timing," said Coach Duane VanDrese. "We were a step or two slow all night. It

"I was happy with our defensive pressure in the second half," said VanDrese. "We outscored them 36-14 in the second half."

Gorr led the scoring with 21

points. D'Amour added 11, and Wes Fox scored 10 points. "The holiday break hurt our con-

ditioning. We came out with little energy versus Pinconning. In addition, we hurt ourselves by putting



OFF THE BANK -- Marvin Forbes puts up an off-balance shot in last Thursday's game against Saginaw Valley Lutheran. The Vikings ended up winning the game 57-55.

was a credit to the kids that we

The win put the team's season

On Monday, January 11, the

team traveled to Oscoda to take on the Owls. In another close game,

the Vikings came out on top 45-44.

trailing 44-42, R.J. Schmidt missed a three but was awarded

three points because of basket

interference. We led 45-44 with

five seconds left. With one second on the clock, Schmidt fouled an

.Oscoda player and he missed both

free throws to give us the win,"

"Schmidt scored 16 points to

"The Oscoda win was the biggest win that we've had this

lead a balanced attack," he said.

"Ryan Stahl played great defense."

year. To win a conference game like that on the road is huge," said

VanDrese. "We have come a long

way this year and this win will go

The freshmen team beat Pinconning on January 7 by 32

points, by a final tally of 66-34.

said Coach VanDrese.

want to be."

"With seven seconds left and us

hung on to win."

record at 5-1.

them on the line 17 times in the first half," said Coach VanDrese.

"We made some adjustments at half and came out sharp in the third quarter, scoring the first nine points."

"We need to stop shooting ourselves in the foot by fouling and allowing teams back in games," said VanDrese. "Our opponents have made more free throws than we've attempted."

The team lost to Gaylord just before the holiday break by a score

"We came up terribly flat," said VanDrese. "Gaylord went to the line 30 times, us six. Their press hurt us and we didn't adjust well to

Schmidt put in 16 points to lead the offensive attack. Gorr added

The freshmen will host West Branch Ogemaw Heights on Thursday, January 28, at the Grayling Middle School gym. Game starts at 6:15 p.m.

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION **OPEN HOUSE MEETING NOTICE** I-75/NORTH DOWN RIVER ROAD INTERCHANGE **IMPROVEMENT**

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It is the intent of the Department not only to invite, but also to encourage citizen involvement and participation in the planning process for this project. It must be stressed that this is not a public hearing of recommended highway improvements as there have been none selected. The objective of the meeting is to gain input, at the earliest possible stage of the study, from local residents and to stimulate

Because no formal presentation will be given, please feel free to stop in anytime between 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting

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1999 Winter Enrichment Classes Offered

INTRO TO COMPUTERS (GHS)

Instructor - Pete Ingvarrson/Damien Barrett Day - Thursday evening January 28,1999 - May 26,1999 • Time - 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Fee - \$79.00 Place Grayling High School Computer Lab

This is a 17 week introductory course to computer usage. The basic objective is to acquaint students with an application program which will perform spreadsheet, database and word processing tasks. Specifically the Microsoft Works program will be used, with the South-Western book Microsoft Works Tutorial and Applications used as the classroom text. COME ON IN AND FIND OUT HOW EASY IT IS!

CREATING YOUR OWN WEBSITE (GHS)

Instructor - Damien Barrett • Day - Monday evening February 22,1999 Time - 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Fee - \$15 Place - Grayling High School Computer Lab A one night class to help you understand HTML (Hypertext Markup Language) so you can start creating, editing, graphics for your own website.

FAMILY INTERNET NIGHT (GHS)

Instructor - Damien Barrett . Day - Tuesday evening March 16,1999Time - 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm Fee -\$15.00 Place - Grayling High School Computer Lab Here's your chance! As a family, to do a little "surfing"

on the internet. Each family will be provided their own computer for their fun hands - on experience. Together you will learn about the inter-net and its increasing importance as a family resource.

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ART BUFFET

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Instructor - Red Cross Staff • Day - Saturday morning February 6, 1999 • Time - 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Fee-\$30.00 includes manual Place - TBA

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GARDENING 2ND SEMESTER

Instructor - Barb Bishoff • Day - Thursday evening March 18, 1999 and March 25, 1999 • April 1, 1999 and April 8, 1999 Time - 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm • Fee -\$6:00 each or \$19.00 for all four classes Place - GHS 3-18 - Ground covers - Grass won't grow under my trees, so what else is there to plant? Handouts will be

3-25 - Pond and Bog Gardens - Ideas for the wet spots or how to create them. Handouts will be provided. 4-1 - Good Bug Bad Bug - Integrated Pest Management. Believe it or not there are some "good bugs" to have in the garden, find out which ones they are. Handouts will be provided.

4-8 - Dozens of TIDS for a "No Work Garden" - Ideas and tips to help make your garden work easier. Handouts will be provided.

SELF DEFENSE FOR WOMEN

Instructor - Monte Oswald • Day - Monday evening January 28,1999 • Time - 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Fee -

\$18.00 includes handouts Place - GHS Don't become a victim. Every woman should know how to protect herself from an attack. Monte Oswald, Training Officer at the Michigan State Police Academy will show you how. Monte will cover victim awareness, preventative approaches on how not to become a victim. Physical tactics of self-protection and psychological approaches to conversing with offenders. COME JOIN THE GROUP WE NEED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN SELF-DEFENSE.

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Instructor - Keith Day - TBA Time-TBA Fee - \$6.00 Place - Grayling Auto Repair Basic Car Care (How to talk to your mechanic) - A state certified mechanic will guide you through some basic car maintenance and then lead a question and answer session including basic terms to help you feel more comfortable when communicating with your mechanic. This is a great class for new drivers as well as those more experienced. LET'S LEARN WHAT WE THOUGHT WE KNEW BUT HAVE BEEN AFRAID

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PAPER MAKING: the art of hand-made paper is popular again. Use cotton fibers, flower petals, confetti and more to create beautiful multicolored hand-made paper. Techniques include paper-raised imaging, water marking and scenting will be discussed. Learn how to make paper out of recycled paper and junk mail. Bring a complete newspaper, 2 cookie sheets and dried flowers. Materials can be purchased from instructor for \$7. Betty Graham (\$16) DAY - THURS-DAY MARCH 18,1999 • 6 - 10 PM (GHS) • CALL 348-

PUNCHED TIN ART: Revive an old art. Punched tin was popular with the early settlers and was often used to decorate cupboard panels and pie safes to let air flow freely. Be prepared to create fantastic folk art projects. Bring a hammer (if you have one). Punch and materials can be purchased from instructor for \$15-20. Betty Graham (\$12) DAY - THURSDAY MARCH 4, 1999 • 6:30 - 9 PM (GHS) • CALL 348-7641 EXT. 120

RUSTIC STONE BIRDHOUSE

Learn to build your own rustic birdhouse using reclaimed wood and recycled objects. Assemble birdhouse from pre-cut pieces. Get creative and give your birdhouse its own unique personality. Material cost of \$5 included in fee. Betty Graham (\$14)

COTTAGE: Create a unique stone cottage from ordinary wood constructed birdhouse. Material Cost of \$15 included in fee. Betty Graham (\$29) (GHS) DAY - SATURDAY MARCH 6,1999 -9:30 - 12:30 PM

CHURCH: We will make a stone church decorated in a quaint old fashion design. Material cost of \$15 included in fee. Betty Graham (\$29)

DAY- SATURDAY MARCH 6,1999 1 - 4PM (GHS) LIGHTHOUSE: Come to class and create this stone lighthouse. Great decoration for indoor or outdoor! Makes a great gift. Material cost of \$15 included in fee. Betty Graham (\$29) DAY - SATURDAY MARCH 6, 1999 TIME: 9:30 - 12:30 PM (GHS)

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BENT WILLOW FURNITURE MAK-

ING: Learn to make your own attractive bent willow furniture for home or garden, participants can choose to make one of the following: a trellis, trellis planter basket or a table. Students will learn bent nails & design techniques that will be used in subsequent projects. Need to bring 1" & 2" nails, 1/2" brads and a hammer. The item of your choice will be worth approximately \$60 Materials are included in fee. Shari Nielsen (\$59) DAY SATURDAY JANUARY 23,

1999 9 - 12 PM (ETC) CALL 1-888-3U-LEARN

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GMS 8th graders lose to Houghton Lake

by Caleb Casey **Staff Writer**

The Grayling Middle School 8th grade Boys Basketball Team faced off against Houghton Lake on score of 24-16.

Adam Kaiser led the Vikings in scoring with seven points.

"In the first half we felt the offense ran effectively and our defense was a little slow," said Coach Craig Hofman. "In the second half the defense improved but Houghton Lake Tournament.

the offense missed several short

Hofman also mentioned that the team had to fight hard on the boards for second chances against Thursday, January 21, and lost by a a bigger and taller Houghton Lake

> "Matt Strohpaul played a great all-around game," added Hofman.

The Vikings will host Gaylord on Wednesday, January 27, and will travel to Houghton Lake on Tuesday, February 2, for the



DEFENSE -- Chris Johns and Adam Kaiser double up on a Roscommon opponent just past the mid-court line. The Vikes will play in the Roscommon Tournament on February 8.

7th grade 'White' defeats **Houghton Lake by three**

by Caleb Casey Staff Writer

The GMS 7th grade Basketball "White" Team edged visiting Houghton Lake on Thursday, January 21, by a score of 28-25.

"Grayling's pressure defense caused key turnovers to seal their sixth win," said Coach Phil Trudgeon. "Jason Verlinde controlled the offense and played well on both ends."

"The team executed the game plan very well," added Coach Trudgeon. Joe Lange led the scoring with

10 points. Travis Gildner added eight points, and Joe Zelek scored The team will go to Gaylord on

Wednesday, January 27, and will head to Houghton Lake on Tuesday, February 2, to take part in the Houghton Lake Tournament.



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YOUTH SKI RACING CLINIC

The weather was mild for the second week of the Citizen's Bank free racing clinic at Hanson Hills.

"It was great to have lots of sunshine and fantastic snow conditions for this week's race," said program director John Alef.

The following are the results of the second week of the race clinic: Gracie Calkins took 1st for the 1st and 2nd grade girls. Mackinley Moore placed 2nd, Taylor 3rd, McMahon 4th.

was the undisputed 1st place finish-

Avery Diola moved up to take the 1st place position for the 3rd and 4th grade girls. Ashley Jurkovich was 2nd, Rachel Doremire 3rd, Gabby Calkins 4th, and Jessi Riddle 5th.

Kody Diola was the top skier for the 3rd and 4th grade boys. Andrew Hart took 2nd, Scot Olson 3rd, Jimmy Hilbrecht 4th, and Brandon McMahon 5th.

Jill Seager led the 5th and 6th grade girls, with Mallory Olson, Jodi Riddle, Beth Lucey and In the boys group, Michael Olson Mandy Scott rounding out the top five.

Trevor Clough held on to the 1st

place finish for the 5th and 6th grade boys. Patrick McInally, Anthony Neal, Greg Kalonich, Alex McNamara, Ben Lucey and Ryan Mech were the next six fin-

Allison Diola made it a sweep for the Diola family with a first place finish for the 7th and 8th grade girls. Andrea Alvarez took 2nd, Nicole Doremire 3rd, and Erin Caverly finished 4th.

Justin Hanes had the fastest run of the day to lead the 7th and 8th grade boys. Matt Seager took 2nd, and Greg Morrill 3rd.

The race clinic is free to children pre-school through 8th grade. The program is held on Sunday afternoons in January and February and begins at about 1 p.m. Kids interested in racing can sign up on the hill prior to racing.

"This is the first season I can remember that we have not had any racers in the pre-school and Kindergarten group," said Alef. "Any young skiers that are willing to give racing a try are welcome to come out and enjoy the competi-

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Game #1 - Thermogas 67 -Spike's 63. Thermogas: Patterson, 22; Townsend, 16. Spike's: Krey, 19; Thompson, 16; Juntilla, 13.

Game #2 - Lange Vending 61 -Holiday Inn 54. Lange Vending: Longendyke, 23; DiPonio, 12. Holiday Inn: Hamlin, 18. Game #3 - Sawmill 63 - Charlie's

Plumbing & Heating 56. Sawmill: T. Doremire, 14; Burrell, 13; Shoff, 13. Charlies: J. Mertes, 25; E. Baynham, 10.

Game #4 - Glens Market 91 -Freeman, 26; Grant, 22; P. Freeman,

Dandy, 15; Ruddy, 12; Keene, 12. Standings after week #5:

Weyerhaeuser 2 - 3 Spike's2 - 3 Charlie's Plumbing&Htg 0 - 5

High scorer for week #5 was Brad Trenary with 27 points.

Attention all league players: January 27 - 28 games starting times Weyerhaeuser 85 OT. Glens: T. have changed. On January 27 at 7:30/8:30, and January 28 at

Weyerhaeuser: Trenary, 27;

POOL LEAGUE

Women's Standings	
Sawmill II	146
Plaza	
Spikes	
Legion	
Frederic Inn	102
Sawmill. I	. 87
5 Ball Run: Barb W., Sandy P.,	and
Audrey W.	

6 Ball Run: Audrey W.

Men's Standings

Legion 28 - 26 Plaza. 12 - 42 8 Ball Run on Break: Chris of

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Winter Wolf triathlon to happen again this year

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The Wertz Warriors are a group of

snowmobilers founded in 1982 by

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player Vic Wertz, who played for the

Detroit Tigers. Vic's goal was to

totally underwrite the on-site costs

of the annual Michigan Special

In 1982 Vic Wertz passed away

but with the hard work and dedica-

tion of the snowmobile riders his

goal of completely underwriting the

games was easily accomplished.

Olympic Winter Games.

The Winter Wolf Challenge is tration and \$20 on race day. Late being reorganized and volunteers are hard at work on the details.

1999 Wertz Warrior

Snowmobile Endurance Ride will take place January 31 through

This year marks the 17th anniver-

sary of raising money for the benefit

of Michigan Special Olympics

Winter Games. With over 1000 ath-

letes participating, the games will be

held February 3-5, and will take

place at Sugar Loaf Resort in

Traverse City. This year the trip will

include 72 riders, a support crew of

30, and will cover over 900 miles of

February 6, 1999.

The Winter Wolf Challenge is a triathlon event that includes a kavak or canoe race from Ray's Canoe Livery to Rayburn's where the competitors will put snowshoes on and run approximately 3 miles, then get to Hanson Hills by 11 a.m. for a mass start freestyle cross country race on the Yellow trail. The start is at 8:30 a.m. at

Entry fee will be \$15 pre-regis-

registration will be accepted at 8 a.m. on race day at Ray's Canoes.

Awards will be given for three age groups, Juniors 14-19 years, Classic 20-35, and Masters 36

All competitors are required to start all three events in order to qualify for any awards unless they are unable because of injury. Those not starting all three events will be disqualified.

For more information and registration please call 348-9266.

The Michigan Special Olympic Winter Games is the largest in the United States and Canada, sponsoring 1,000 athletes and 800 chaperones. The games feature Nordic and Alpine skiing, snowshoeing, figure skating and many other activities.

Snowmobile ride to benefit Special Olympics

One of the highlights, along with what we hope will become a major fundraising event each year, will be Sno Fest '99.

All the proceeds from this event will benefit Michigan Special Olympics. Sno Fest '99 will be held on Friday, February 5, 1999 at the Gaylord Holiday Inn in Gaylord, from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. This will be the first time in 12 years that the Wertz Warriors will be riding into and staying in Gaylord for the

Participation this year will include the four major Snowmobile manufactures, along with a number of accessory and clothing manufactures. Local snowmobile dealerships will be on hand showcasing snowmobiles along with selling snowmobile clothing and related products at reduced prices.

There will also be live entertainment, a Snowmobile Fashion Show and Celebrity Autograph Session with former Detroit Tiger Pitcher Mark "The Bird" Fidrych along with other invited celebrities.

A Spaghetti Dinner will be held from 4:30 p.m. until 8 p.m. that evening with all the proceeds benefiting Michigan Special Olympics.

The cost for the dinner is \$6.50 per

Sno Fest '99 will also feature a live and silent auction highlighting the latest in snowmobile clothing, products and accessories along with sports memorabilia, lodging at local hotels and motels, golf packages, airline tickets and many other items donated by local area businesses. In addition, that evening one lucky ticket holder will have a chance at winning a 1999 Ski Doo Mini "Z"

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INTERNET - Visit us at our new home page - www.hansonhills.org or E-mail us at hanhills@ mich.com. You can check out all the happenings at Hanson Hills.

Hanson Hills to host more cross country ski races

qualifier for Junior Olympics on on the Yellow trail and boys on the Saturday and Sunday, January 30

Saturday will be the classic style races starting at 9:30 a.m. with an interval start. The girls will race a 6 km race on the Blue trail, the boys will ski two loops of Blue for a 12 km course, Sunday's race time

Hanson Hills will host the USSA is 9:30 a.m. with a mass start-girls Red.

This new event is expected to

bring about 50 skiers and their families from all over Michigan. The Kiwanis Key Club is spon-

soring the races and will do the timing and registration for the



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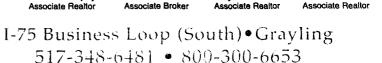
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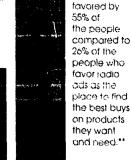
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FOR RENT Two bedroom trailer \$325 per month. (517) 344-0083. First and last months rent. (-28/2)

3. Employment

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HEAVY TRUCK MECHANIC Dynamic, growing and successful Fortune 500 company is seeking a heavy truck mechanic to work in the Gaylord area. This position requires a high school diploma or equivalent, a current CDL Class B, and at least one years' experience. The qualified candidate will be able to cut and weld and have own tools. Interested applicants may send a resume to the address below. Waste Management of Central Michigan, Attn: Larry Render, 1900 Sullivan Drive, Harrison, EOE, M/F,D/V MI 48625 (1/21/99tf/3)

LOOKING FOR retired person that would like to get into a sales position working with schools and churches to cover Grayling, Gaylord, Roscommon, Clare and Harrison areas. For more information call Rick (517) 795-2946 after 6 p.m. (-14-21-28/3)

HILLTOP MANOR HEALTH CARE Center is looking for team players to join our team. The positions available are: CENA's second shift four full-time, two part-time; third shift two fulltime, two part-time; first shift two part-time. Nurses: parttime all shifts. We offer health insurance, dental, vision, disability and 401K. We also offer ten days vacation after one year of full-time employment. Please inquire within at 1290 East Michigan Highway, Roscommon, MI 48653. (-21-28/3)

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30 acres. Located at M-76 and Dort Rd. MLS#9-6216 **\$62,000** *Ask for Bob*

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Grayling Township is looking for a person to work as a customer representative, 20 hours per week, at the Grayling Township Recycling Center, through the Green Thumb Program. The successful candidate must have reliable transportation, warm clothing, be at least 55-years old and qualify under federal standards as to having a low income.

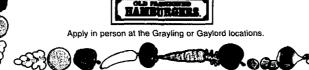
The requirements of the job do not include any heavy lifting or operation of machinery. The hours of work include Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 p.m. until 8 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Compensation is through Green Thumb, a program of the United States Department of Agriculture.

If you are interested in this position, apply in person to Terry Wright at Grayling Township, 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, (517) 348-4361 or to Juanita Beck, Green Thumb Coordinator, 308 Lawndale, Grayling, (517) 348-3964.

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For general news, features and sports. Requires some evenings and weekends. Education and experience in journalism and photography a plus. Must be well organized and able to work within deadlines. Could possibly grow into full-time.

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SERVICE TECHNICIAN Due to rapid growth, our company is looking for an experienced heating and cooling service technician for our Grayling and Kalkaska service territory. The right individual will have extensive HVAC/R knowledge, be able to communicate effectively with customers and enjoy a challenge. This is a career opportunity with full benefits and a company vehicle. For immediate consideration, call Great Lakes Energy at 1-888-485-2537, extension 1313. (-28-4/3)

RESIDENTIAL CARE AIDS North Central Community Mental Health is seeking individuals to provide care for adults with developmental disabilities in a group home in Grayling. Rewarding work environment with staffing ratios of 1-3 or less. Starting wage is \$6.65/hr. Increase to \$7.32/hr., once paid in-service training program is successfully completed. Potential for promotion to fulltime with excellent fringe benefit package. Applicants must have of high school diploma/equivalent, reliable transportation, and a working home telephone. Must pass physical requirements. and have acceptable driving and criminal record checks. To apply, call Beth - Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at (517) 348-2461. EOE (-28-4/3)

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INDEPENDENT OIL & GAS company located in Gaylord, Michigan is looking for an accountant with five years experience in Accounts Payable. Applicant must be a self-motivator and have excellent computer skills. Please send resume to Interest Accounting Joint Manager, P.O. Box 1256, Michigan 49734. Gaylord, (-28/3)

CAREER POSITION OPENING for professional accountant. Minimum eight years experience with full accounting responsibility. Challenging and interesting work environment with excellent support staff. Gaylord/ Mancelona vicinity. This is a new position of immediate need. Please send resume and inquiry to ATTN: O.H. P.O.Box 490. Grayling, MI 49738. (-21-28/3)

NOW HIRING at Hanson Hills Winter Sports Park, cashiers, receptionist and loaders. Pick up an application in the main office or send resume to P.O. Box 361, Grayling, MI 49738. Call MI 49738 (-21-28/3) (517) 348-9266. (-21-28/3)

COMMUNICATIONS TECHNI-CIAN Immediate Opening! SCI is looking for a telephone technician with key system or PBX experience to work throughout the state of Michigan. Some channel bank and T1 knowledge will be helpful. Computer and network experience a plus. Good salary and benefits. Send resume to: SCI, Inc., 4732 Payne Ave., Dayton, OH 45414 Fax: (937) 275-4997 or call (937) 275-5523, ext. tmosley.shawntech@mci2000.co m (-21-28/3)

WANTED CONSULTANT to train volunteers to organize and run a millage/bond issue campaign. Feasibility study may be neces-Submit proposals to sarv. Crawford County Library, 100 South James, Grayling, MI 49738 (517) 348-9214 (-21-

OFFICE PART-TIME (FLEX) No smoke building. File, type, computer literate, communication skills. P.O. Box 669, Grayling,

The Northeast Michigan Consortium (NEMC) is soliciting merit-staffed bidders to operate federal Wagner-Peyser public employment services throughout the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego and Presque Isle.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Requests for proposals should be made to Terry Basel, (517) 733-8548, Michigan Works! Northeast Consortium, P.O. Box 711, Onaway, MI 49765. Disks are available upon request. A Bidder's Conference will be held on Thursday, February 4, 1999 at 1:30 p.m. at the Northeast Michigan Consortium in Onaway. Attendance at the Bidder's Conference is strongly recommended. The proposal deadline for submission is Friday, March 12, 1999 at 12:00 p.m. at the Northeast Michigan Consortium, 20709 State Street, P.O. Box 711, Onaway, Michigan 49765. Late proposals will not be considered. Faxed copies will not be

"An Equal Opportunity Employer. Auxiliary aids and services will be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Michigan Relay Center 1-800-649-3777 (voice & TDD)"

MANUFACTURING FACILITY now accepting resumes for a fullsecretarial-receptionist position. Must be computer literate with a working knowledge of Word and Excel, and an understanding of basic accounting. Excellent benefits and work environment. Send resume to H.R. Manager, P.O. Box 488, Grayling, MI 49738. (-28-4/3)

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT. THE PERSON LISTED IN INDIVIDUAL AD: 1-800-424-1457/517-348-4383

PLEASE FAX RESUME TO 517-348-3234 OR MAIL TO PERSON LISTED IN INDIVIDUAL AD: 125 MICHIGAN AVENUE, GRAYLING, MI 49738.

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LEGAL ACTION

SYNOPSIS **CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF**

COMMISSIONERS Organizational Meeting

of January 5, 1999 The Organizational Meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners Meeting was called to order by County Clerk-Register of Deeds Sandra Moore at 10 a.m. in the Crawford County Building on 5th

day of January 1999. Roll Call: Golnick, Hanson, Pinkelman, Corlew, Wieland and Beardslee - present.

Absent: None County Clerk/Register of Deeds, Sandra

Moore - present County Controller, Paul Compo - present -- Closed Chairperson nominations and

cast an unanimous vote for Commissioner Corlew as the 1999 Board Chairperson. -- Close Vice Chairperson nominations and cast an unanimous vote for Commissioner Wieland as the 1999 Board Vice Chairperson. --Established the 1999 Regular Board

meeting schedule as the Third Wednesday of each month beginning at 9:30 a.m. until all business is completed. If business runs into the lunch hour, the Board will recess if necessary from noon until 1 p.m.

-Scheduled the 1999 Law Enforcement, Personnel and Labor, and Ways and Means meetings the Thursday prior to the regular meeting each month beginning at 2 p.m. until all business is conducted, with the exception of November, which falls on Veterans day and the building is closed, that meeting will be held on Friday.

-- Appointed Elizabeth H. Wieland as the 1999 Ways and Means Chairperson.

--Moved and consolidate the Insurance Committee under Ways and Means.

--Adopted the County Board Rules and procedures as presented and allow amendments if necessary.

Adopted Robert's Rules of Order as the Boards parliamentary procedures. To include a three minute limit for citizens to speak, and continue with the roll call vote alphabetically and rotated upon each vote.

There were also other visitors present.

MORTGAGE

FORECLOSURE SALE

Meeting was adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

County Clerk/Register of Deeds

file in the Clerk's office.

Sandra Moore

A full context of the meeting minutes is on

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Dawn M. Stoddard, a married woman and Kenneth Stoddard (original mortgagors to Capstone Mortgage Corp., Mortgagee, dated May 29, 1997, and recorded on July 30, 1997 in Liber 434, on Page 322, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the The Chase Manhattan Bank. as Trustee of Access Financial Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-3 also known as The Chase Manhattan Bank, as custodian or trustee under the appliable custodial or trust agreement, as assignee by an assignment dated June 3, 1997 which was recorded on March 18, 1998, in Liber 449, on Page 268, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-TWO THOU-SAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX AND 91/100 dollars (\$62,366.91), including interest at 11.125% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 6/1 and 12/1 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on March 3, 1999.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 3, Block 5, Hadley's Amended Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 08, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such

sale. Dated January 21, 1999 Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL: (248) 642-4202 Trott and Trott, P.C.

Attorneys for Chase Manhattan Bank, as Trustee 30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100

Bingham Farms, MI 48025 File # 981212815

-21-28-4-11-18

SHORT FORECLOSURE NOTICE

CRAWFORD COUNTY PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN & ASSO-CIATES, P.C. IS ATTEMPTING TO COL-

LECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMA-TION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE MORTGAGE SALE Default has been

made in the conditions of a mortgage made by: John T. Harris and Angela I. Harris to Midwest Mortgage, Inc.

Mortgagee, dated January 26, 1996, and recorded on January 30, 1996, in Liber 406, on page 399, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE AND 33/100 DOLLARS (\$47,875.33), including interest at 7.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the Court Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10 oclock a.m., on Wednesday, February 24,

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 4 and 6 feet of vacated alley. Block MARTHA M. BRINKS SECOND ADDITION to the Village (now City) of

Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 29, Crawford County Records. Tax ID #20-070-132-002-004-00.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.324la, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: January 5, 1999

Midwest Mortgage, Inc. Mortgagee Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C. 30300 Northwestern Highway, Suite 222 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334 -14-21-28-4-11

SHORT FORECLOSURE **NOTICE** (ALL COUNTIES)

MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Lisa Marie Gillett and Timothy James Gillett, her husband to First Finance

Mortgagers, dated March 31, 1998 and recorded on April 7, 1998 in Liber 451 on page 33 Crawford County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Bankers Trust Company of, California, NA as, Custodian or Trustee by an assignment dated April 6, 1998, and recorded on October 20, 1998 in Liber 465, on page 591 Crawford County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY SIX THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN AND 52/100 Dollars (\$66,787.52), including interest at 11.950% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statue in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10 o'clock a.m. on February 10, 1999.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: LOT 3 AND THE SOUTH 1/2 OF LOT 4, RED PINE ACRES,

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH BRANCH, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN. ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 03 OF PLATS, PAGE 07, CRAWFORD COUN-TY RECORDS.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such

Dated: December 30, 1998 Bankers Trust Company of, California, NA as, Custodian or Trustee Mortgagee Frederick A. Petz, Esq.

PETZ & ASSOCIATES, P.C. 20902 Mack Grosse Pointe Woods, MI 48236 #1346-470

-31-7-14-21-28

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT **COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION** Independent Probate

File No. 99-5923-IE Estate of Lorna J. I

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Your interest in the estate may be barred or

affected by the following: The decedent, whose last known address was 6540 Turner Trail, Grayling, Michigan 49738 died 12/22/98. An instrument dated 4/20/84 has been admitted as the will of the deceased.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the independent personal representative, Clarence I. LaMotte, c/o David R. Sabin, 115 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738 or to both the independent personal representative and the Crawford County Probate Court, 200 Michigan Ave., Grayling, Michigan 49738, within 4 months of the date of publication of this notice. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned and distributed to the persons entitled to it.

David R. Sabin P19822 115 Michigan Ave., Grayling, Michigan 49738 (517) 348-5588

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Rubber Stamps Are Available At The Crawford County Avalanche Call 348-6811

PUBLIC NOTICE CRAWFORD COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

PROPOSED STATE AND FEDERAL SECTION 5311 (FORMER SEC-TION 18) APPLICATION FOR OPERATING AND CAPITAL **ASSISTANCE**

All citizens are advised that the Crawford County Transportation Authority (CCTA) has prepared an application for State of Michigan financial assistance for fiscal year 2000, as required under Act 51 of the Public Acts of 1951, as amended and for federal Section 5311 (former Section 18)) assistance as required under the Federal Transit Act, as amended.

The CCTA is requesting Six Hundred Seventeen Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars (\$617,693) in state operating assistance for general public transit services; One Hundred Five Thousand Six Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$105,616) for Federal Section 5311 operating assistance; and Five Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$583,500) for five replacement buses equipped with wheelchair lifts and other capital replacement items.

The proposed application is stored on an electronic file at the CCTA administrative offices and may be reviewed during the month of February 1999. An appointment may be scheduled to review the application by telephoning 348-8215.

Written comments regarding the application and/or written requests for a public hearing to review the application must be received by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, March 1, 1999. If a hearing is requested, notice of the scheduled date, time and location will be provided at least 10 days in advance.

Submittals should be mailed to: **Crawford County Transportation Authority** 4276 West North Down River Road Grayling, Michigan 49738

"The Crawford County Transportation Authority is an EOE//AA Organization" "Proposals from Certified DBE/WBE Vendors are Requested"

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Road Commission for Crawford County will receive sealed bids until 10:00 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular meeting commencing at 10:30 a.m.) on Thursday, February 4, 1999, at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648 for the

FOR ONE (1) TANDEM AXLE TRUCK 56,000# GVWR

Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Road Commission for Crawford County at the above address.

Submit bids in a sealed envelope that is clearly marked with the words Tandem Axle Truck Bid." The Road Commission for Crawford County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bid, to waive details in the specifications, to withhold any and all trade-in options of the Road Commission, and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

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FOR ONE (1) 5TH WHEEL TANDEM TRACTOR 56,000# GVWR

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Submit bids in a sealed envelope that is clearly marked with the words "5th Wheel Truck Bid." The Road Commission for Crawford County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bid, to waive details in the specifications, and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

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EATURES

For The Week Of January 31-February 6

ARIES March 21-April 20

Take advantage of your high energy level this week. It will go a long way toward helping you balance home. friends and work. You should be able to get home and work projects done ahead of time, which means extra time for fun.

TAURUS April 21-May 21

If you find yourself a little ahead on the budget this week, use the money wisely. How about planning an educational trip or time at a spa to get in better shape? Maybe you could sign up for a class to make you even more valuable at work.

GEMINI May 22-June 21

Don't let pessimism in the workplace bring you down. Things may be rough at work now, but relief may be on the way. An opportunity may come your way that you should take advantage of. It won't be easy, but be open-minded at home.

CANCER June 22-July 22

Valentine's Day is around the corner, and love is in the air. Don't get too wrapped up in it and don't get in over your head. It may feel like love, but be careful-it may not be. Don't forget family matters with your hectic schedule, work and friends.

July 23-August 23

Skip the chocolates this year. Instead, put a little more thought into this year's Valentine's Day gift. You still have time to put some creativity into your choice. Seek professional advice on a pertinent family matter that has you in the middle.

VIRGO August 24-September 22

Changes are taking place in your circle of friends. New friendships are formed, old ones are fading away. In this natural process, be open-minded and flexible; but you'll find your old and new friends don't have a lot in common.

September 23-October 23

Even though you'll be busy during the first part of the week, it should slow down soon. Along the way, keep your eyes and ears open for bits of information that can help you. Just don't promise anything you can't

SCORPIO October 24-November 22

Don't let outdated notions hold you back. Instead, explore them, then ask yourself if there is an alternative. Organize your time. You have a lot of chores and errands to get done, and in order to do that, you'll have to keep to your list.

SAGITTARIUS November 23-December 21

Feeling restless? With everything that's been going on at work and home, that's understandable. This would be a good time to get away for a long weekend. However, before you set out, make sure you have the finances to cover the trip.

CAPRICORN

December 22-January 20

Entertaining friends or relatives from out of town may end up blowing your Valentine's Day plans. Enjoy the time with you. guests: after all, you haven't seen them in quite a while, and you can always celebrate Valentine's Day

AQUARIUS January 21-February 18

Relationships are the key to your week, those at home and at work. Depend on them to help you get through the next week or so. They'll help you stay on course so you can get the job done. If someone offers you time away from the grind, take it

PISCES February 19-March 20

Make Valentine's Day extra-special this year. You and your partner haven't been away together in quite a while. Consider a quiet, romantic spot, not a hectic day shopping or hopping from place to place. It will really help your relationship thrive.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

CHEWY FRUIT & OATMEAL BARS

3/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar 1/2 cup granulated sugar 1 (8oz.) container plain low-fat yogurt 2 egg whites, lightly

beaten 2 tbsp. vegetable oil 2 tbsp. fat-free milk

2 tsp. vanilla 1 1/2 cups all purpose flour

1 tsp. baking soda 1 tsp. cinnamon 1/2 tsp. salt (optional)

3 cups oats (uncooked) 1 cup combined diced mixed dried fruit

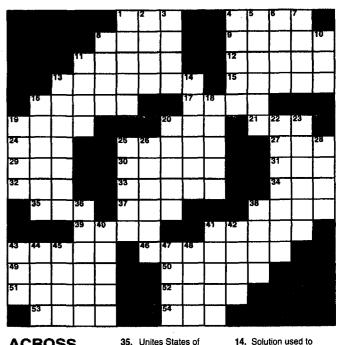
Heat oven to 350°F. In large bowl, combine sugars, yogurt, egg whites, oil, milk and vanilla; mix well, In medium bowl, combine flour, baking soda, cinnamon and salt; mix well. Add dry ingredients to yogurt mixture; mix wel!. Stir in oats and dried fruit. Spread dough onto bottom of ungreased 13 x 9 inch baking pan. Bake 28 to 32 minutes or until light golden brown. Cool completely on wire rack. Cut into bars. Store tightly covered up two days or freeze.

Nutrition Info.: (1 bar)-Calories 145, Total Fat 2g, Saturated Fat 0g, Cholesterol Omg, Sodium 60mg, Dietary Fiber 2g.



HOME NEEDED - This Chow mix puppy is about 4 months old. She is very gentle and appears to be housebroken. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

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A Look At Our Past FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago January 29, 1976

Friends and relatives joined to honor Jack Alef for 25 years with Grayling State Bank, of which 17 have been as its president. Two proclamations were also presented, one from the city proclaiming January 20, 1976, Jack Alef Day, and the other a resolution from the Chamber of Commerce.

Charles MacKenzie Kroll, widely known outdoor writer has recently rejoined Bear Archery. Kroll returns to Bear after an absence of nearly seven years, during which time he wrote the popular fly-fishing classic "Squaretail".



FOR SIDEWALK SHOVELING - Robert Kelly (left), Executive Vice President of Bear Archery, awards a check for the Fred Bear Museum snow removal contract to Paul Thomson and Joseph Stripe, President and Manager of the Winter Grayling Sports Association. The Grayling Winter Sports Association will handle the 1976 snow removal for the museum and will use the money paid to them to help support the Winter Sports Park.

SP 4 Bonnie Labo will arrive home from Germany this coming Thursday and will be home for two weeks to visit her friends and family before transferring to Arizona.

Kathy Worden won a trophy in the Fourth Grade Spelldown at the Grayling Elementary School Wednesday afternoon. The spelldown is a program held each semester at the school. Runners- up were Lee Crowell and Tim Freeman. Other contestants were: Jill Hackett, Mary Shires, Marty Lozon, Karyn Reynolds, Rosie Davis, Janette Sloan, Denise Patton, Shelly Trenary, Ann Vanderstelt, Ronnie Ball, Monique Petrosky and Jim

The Grayling Elementary has a new flag for the '76 Bicentennial. The third and fourth grade share the duties of putting up the flag.

46 Years Ago January 29, 1953

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Hildebrand on January 22. Billy File has a nice new baby sister born at Mercy Hospital on January 23. She has been named Susan Lee by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eben File. Susan weighed 8 lbs. and 1 oz. at birth. Mr. and Mrs. Jens Ziebell are her aunt and uncle.

Linda Knibbs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Knibbs was five years old on Sunday and her mother invited sixteen little people in to supper to celebrate the occasion. In addition to the usual birthday festivities contests were played and prizes won by Pamela Hunter, Jane Henig and Billy Joseph.

Rita Barber was home from her studies at Bay City over the week-

Word from the John Ludemans announce that they are enroute home from Germany. They plan to visit in New York and Toledo, Ohio a few days enroute.

Mrs. Roy Milnes was hostess to her bridge club Saturday. Guests for the afternoon were Mrs. Carlyle Strobel, Mrs. B. Elmore Henig and

Mrs. Ernest Borchers, Mrs. Dale Pettengill and Mrs. Leonard Allison. Mrs. Frank Bond held high score and Mrs. Robert Strong second

69 Years Ago January 30, 1930

Nearly 100 ladies and gentlemen gathered at the Board of Trade club rooms Wednesday night to do honor to Mr. and Mrs. William Powell.

eighteen or twenty men started Monday to cut on School Section Lake. He reports the ice is eighteen inches thick. Waldemar Jenson and his crew

Emil Neiderer and a group of

are busy at Shoppenagons Inn redecorating the dining room and the lobby. A few of the high school students

were dismissed from school yesterday afternoon to go to the toboggan slide at Lake Margrethe, where C.W. Montour was taking pictures of the slide.

Frank Deckrow was pleasantly surprised Tuesday evening when a number of relatives and neighbors came to his home to help him celebrate his seventy-third birthday.

92 Years Ago January 31, 1907

week has made our lumberman happy. Dr. Underhill is home from the

well who have wood to bring in. George Alexander attended Circuit Court at Gaylord this week, being engaged in an important case.

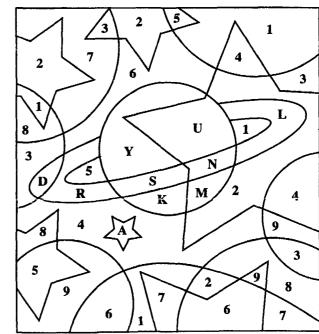
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Clear zero weather for the last

east for a few days looking after his ranch and lumbering operations The snow and cold weather is being taken advantage of by the

Mr. Hanson returned from Louisiana, last week, having practi-

cally closed the big lumber deal.



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WEATHER Courtesy of the City of Grayling **Date** H L On Ground Snow 21" 29 18 T

1/20 1/21 36 20 20" .25" 1/22 34 25 .25" 20.25" 19" 1/23 35 30 19" 1/24 46 24 1/25 17" 48 22 1.5" 1/26 T 17" 29 19

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: Scattered snow showers on Thursday with the high in the upper 30's to mid 40's and the low 30 to 35. Chance of snow showers on Friday and Saturday. Friday's high will be 20 to 30 and the low in the 20's. Saturday's high will be in the mid 20's to low 30's and the low will be 10 to 20.

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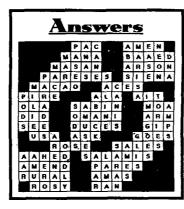
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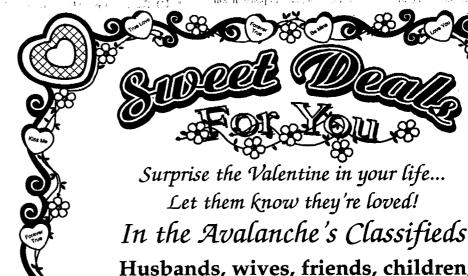
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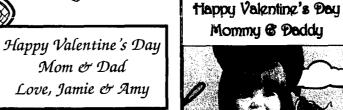
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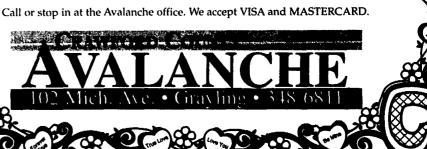
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SOUP/SANDWICH/SALAD/DE SSERT luncheon Thursday, February 4th from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. \$4.50 per person, take out available. Everyone welcome. Michelson United Methodist Church on Michigan Ave. (-28/8)

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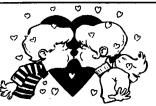
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